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To the rescue, in the St. Nick of time



After an hour in the icy waters of the Androscoggin River Friday, 11-year-old Wolf was fading. Toward the end of the ordeal, only part of his head was visible to watchers on shore. But as rescue swimmers from the Bethel Fire Department were finally able to approach the exhausted dog, he made one last effort to haul himself up — and firefighters Jim Bennett and Mike Bennett were able to pull him to safety. Wolf was the second of a pair of dogs who were rescued after falling into the river. The two belong to Frank Gibson of Bethel, who called 911 as soon as he realized their plight. For more on the dramatic pre-Christmas rescue, please see page 11.

(Photo: A. Aloisio)

The top local news stories of 2005

New subdivisions just keep on coming

As anyone who traveled back roads in the Bethel area or looked up toward the hill-tops could easily see, the hot real estate market of recent years shows few signs of cooling here.

Despite some apparent softening in the national real estate market, signs advertising new subdivisions are commonplace on roads here, and large ridgeline homes are — for better or worse — becoming just another part of the scenery.

Numerous new subdivisions were proposed here over the course of the year.

The Bethel Planning Board alone approved 10 subdivision applications this year, and three more are under review. In total, they involve 128 lots.

Planning boards in surrounding towns, often with more stretches of undeveloped land, also had their hands full.

Among the more notable proposals was the Gardiner Valley subdivision in Andover.

The plan called for the largest subdivision ever proposed in the town, at least in terms of acreage.

It called for dividing a 5,389-acre parcel of land into nine smaller parcels, ranging in size from 500 to 700 acres.

At a public hearing in August, residents expressed concerns similar to those heard in regard to other such large-scale plans.

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Small towns grapple with demands of development

The rapid pace of local development has pushed smaller area towns to consider updating or otherwise beefing up their growth ordinances.

But not all the proposed changes have been well received by town voters.

Last year, the pace of development in Gilead (Pop. under 200) prompted townspeople to re-establish a Planning Board, in order to relieve town selectmen of the responsibility for reviewing development applications.

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Recreation trails: an ongoing effort with ongoing obstacles

In October of 2005, the long-awaited multi-use recreational bridge over the Androscoggin River in Bethel finally became a reality.

The 400-foot long, \$1.4 million bridge provides a safe way for snowmobilers, cross-country skiers, walkers, hikers, cyclists and others to cross the river.

Until the bridge was opened, they were forced to cross the Route 2 highway bridge, often sharing the narrow space with heavy car and truck traffic.

The new bridge is expected

to be a keystone to the local trails network, itself a work in progress.

That work is being led by the Bethel Area Trails Committee.

The Trails Committee, a subgroup of the Mahoosuc Land Trust, was formed in March 2004, with the goal of expanding recreational trails here.

The committee began 2005 with a January trails forum attended by 75 citizens at Telstar High School, seeking input on the results of a trail user survey completed in late

2004. The result was to begin to form task forces to move forward the most compelling trail projects.

The lead project, Bethel to Angevine Park, received the support of landowners to extend the Pathway from the end of the new bridge under Route 2 and along the riverbank behind Dr. John Mason's office to the North Road.

The committee is now awaiting word from the Maine Rec-

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Local business balance evolving in the face of new challenges, opportunities

The past year, like many of late, was not a good one for the wood products industry, long a major source of local employment.

But the year was encouraging for some newer enterprises, especially those capitalizing on creativity and connectivity to the wider world.

In November, Leon Favreau, owner of Bethel Furniture Stock, announced that the West Bethel mill would close, eliminating roughly three dozen local jobs.

The announcement was not unexpected. BFS, like many other wood products companies had been battling for several years against a tide of

cheaper foreign imports.

In fact, the mill had closed down for a period of time three years earlier, laying off 80 employees. The company then re-emerged in a trimmed down form.

But the downsizing, like other aggressive efforts by Favreau to keep the mill afloat, was not enough.

The Ethan Allen mill in Andover also cut back this year.

In June, the company announced it was laying off 13 of its approximately 100 employees and cutting back the work-week for those who remained.

Since 2001, Ethan Allen has closed or consolidated eight other plants in the United

States, laying off more than 1,600 people.

(An Ethan Allen spokesman at corporate headquarters in Danbury, Conn. did not return a phone call regarding the current status of the Andover mill.)

Also in June, Hancock Lumber announced that its discount retail outlet on Route 26 in Bethel would close.

Hancock's sawmill here is doing well, and recently added a second shift, but the retail store just didn't do enough business, a company spokesman said at the time the closing was announced.

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A FRESH WAY OF LOOKING AT THINGS—The new and long-awaited recreational bridge over the Androscoggin River in Bethel was formally opened in October. The bridge is expected to be the keystone of an expanded network of multi-use trails here.

(Photo: A. Aloisio)

Sections of major roads upgraded

Improvements to sections of two major highway arteries leading to the Bethel area were completed in 2005, and plans for further improvements are either in the works or under study.

In Bethel, reconstruction was completed on a segment of Route 2 west of Bethel, and another in Gilead near the New Hampshire border.

The work had begun in 2004. Between the completed segments, a 5.7-mile section is

still waiting for reconstruction.

The middle portion poses a greater challenge than the earlier section because it includes several sharp curves bounded by ledge.

If funding is available, work on a 2-mile portion of the middle stretch could begin in the spring.

In Woodstock, a one-mile stretch of Route 28 on Merrifield Hill was reconstructed and widened to accommodate

a new uphill passing lane.

On a related issue, discussion by Woodstock's Comprehensive Plan Committee led to a proposal from its chairman, Norm Putnam, to build a bypass for Route 28 around Bryant Pond Village.

The bypass proposal stemmed from concerns about the safety of having a large volume of traffic, including

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Letters

NO NEED FOR THIRD CRUISER

To the Editor:

As still a current member of the budget committee until year-end it disturbs me to see, hear and read the town manager trying to put three cruisers on the road full time. We discussed this last spring during our budget meetings and (if I remember correctly) we opted to continue with two cruisers and use the third as a backup. I do not see the justification of pushing for a third cruiser which cost wise is going to impact the town's budget and the taxpayer as a whole.

The following was a survey done on area towns when I called: Rumford, population 6,500 has three cruisers, one unmarked and two detectives' cars; Mexico, pop. 2,900 has three cruisers; Dixfield, pop. 2,583 has two cruisers and one unmarked SUV; Fryeburg, pop. 3,500, has three cruisers and one 4WD utility they use to haul a boat around with; Bridgton, pop. 5,000 has six cruisers; Norway, pop. 4,500 has five cruisers; Paris, pop. 4,793 has two cruisers plus an Explorer. What does that tell you, either the town of Norway might be over cruisers; either way, for Bethel being a town of approximately 2,500, it does not seem feasible to increase to a third full-time cruiser without further study or reasoning showing why it is necessary.

I think the town manager should wait and broach this subject at budget time instead of trying to slide this in before that process happens. In the past the budget committee and selectmen have put a lot of the capital improvement projects on the back burner as a way to cut the budget or cap it where it is. I do not think it is fair to the capital improvement budget for roads, etc., to possibly be put back on the back burner once again only to increase the cruiser force of the police department. Last year we said that we are really going to have to seriously consider getting some of these capital improvement projects done instead of continuing to cut them.

Perhaps the town is looking at an increase of tax money coming in. If that is the case, it doesn't mean that it has to be spent on items before we know what we have got coming in. Perhaps there is an extra stash of money sitting around and this is where they might like it to go. If you are concerned about this issue talk to the selectmen. Don't be afraid to speak up.

Jane Ryerson
Bethel

CATS READY FOR LOVE

To the Editor:

A dear friend has gone to heaven and left behind three adult cats that need homes. Maggie is a golden, white long hair and rather shy and very beautiful. Dixie and Daisy are short hair sisters. Dixie is 100 percent black and Daisy is splashed in black and white. They can come to your good home as a group of three, two or solo. They are in and outdoor cats, use a litter box, non-persnickety eaters, and need their shots updated.

From the book "Animal Grace" Mary Lour Randour writes, "Quite simply, animals teach us about love: how to love, how to enjoy being loved, how loving itself is an activity that generates more love, radiating out and encompassing an ever larger circle of others." The past owner knew a lot about love, her cats surely know about love too and are willing to share with you.

Please contact me at 824-3889.

Janet Willie
Bethel

LIVING NATIVITY THANKS

To the Editor:

I would like to publicly thank all who had a hand in presenting the Living Nativity on the Bethel Common on Dec. 18.

First of all I would like to thank the members of the Bethel Alliance Church who worked very hard at organizing the production. A special thank you to Drew Webster, who has a big part in the planning of this event each year. Thank you to all the actors, singers and all those who worked hard "behind the scenes." I would also like to thank Mary Brown for, once again, doing a fine job at leading the choir, Arlan Jodrey for providing the hay and many thanks to those who provided the animals needed, Gould Academy and Dottie Boyce.

It is a blessing that we all live in a town where we can still celebrate the true meaning of Christmas.

Kevin J. Bellinger
Pastor, Bethel Alliance Church

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

The Citizen welcomes letters to the editor. We hope our readers will regard the newspaper as a public forum for discussing any topic they believe to be of interest to the community.

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REMEMBERING JUDY HASKELL

To the Editor:

The old adage, "They don't make them any better!" certainly applies to the subject of this tribute.

Of all the pieces I have written on the lives of people who I have known over the years, including those involving close family members, this is without doubt the hardest for me to even contemplate, the passing of our great Bethel Historical Society friend Judy Haskell. I suppose it was totally unrealistic of me to believe she would always be there, especially when one realizes that she was just a decade older than I am in age. But when you were with Judy you never thought of age and dying. She was so full of enthusiasm, energy and ideas that your mind raced to encompass all that she embodied in our many discussions. So one can only imagine how devastated I was (along with many others) to learn the terrible news last Friday.

From the first time I met Judy in 1974, I knew she was someone very special. She came to the society as a relative of the late Ada Durell, who had been the last owner of the Dr. Moses Mason House prior to its purchase and subsequent donation to the society by the Bingham Trust. Right away, I found her lively, bright, and a keen observer of life, especially its humorous sides. Through all the years, we would laugh about so many incidents that either happened at the society or ones we became aware of through others.

As a volunteer, Judy would serve in so many capacities from society secretary to trustee, on all kinds of committees, and as someone who could be depended upon to cook or help with many things that simply needed to get done, including, with her husband Colwyn, repairing plaster walls at the society's Robinson House. For years, she chaired the Museum Committee and the committee which selected the recipient of the Noll Volunteer Service Award, served as head guide, worked in the museum shop, and assisted wherever she was needed, particularly as an "eagle-eyed" proofreader. Through all this service and much more, we often talked daily, either on the phone or when I saw her at the post office or in the grocery store. This invariably kind and generous woman was always interested in the latest society news and anything else I could bring to her attention. In addition, she often acted as a valued and significant "sounding board" for ideas I had which needed to be explored and refined.

Of all her enthusiasms in regard to the society, perhaps the most evident was each year when we prepared the Dr. Moses Mason House for the annual "Christmas with the Masons" celebration. Judy took the dining room as her space to decorate with boughs, berries and fruit. Like the rest of us, she was transformed during those evenings by the "magic" of this event with its unique lighting, smells, and sounds. This year's rendition was especially memorable since we had a greater variety of people present (ages 9 to 90) and the fact that they really got into the spirit of things by singing along with the harpist in this historic setting. Judy never appeared more radiant and enthused by all that went so very well that evening. I am now eternally grateful that what was to be her last appearance at this event was such an outstanding one.

Last Thursday, we received news that a foundation had provided some funding for a grant proposal we had made in support of creating a junior historical society and establishing a student museum intern program. Judy and I had discussed this project several times so I tried to call her that day to tell her the good news. Despite several attempts, I did not reach her and early the next day she died. With her deep interest in the young, I have no doubt that Judy would be as thrilled as we are by this development. Now we have our work cut out for us to make a success of this new opportunity and to stay true to the rich legacy of service and selfless dedication that she has left us.

Stan Howe
Executive Director, Bethel Historical Society

GIVE GOD A PROPER PLACE

To the Editor:

I read the recent letter in The Citizen decrying the deterioration of moral and ethical standards since the '60s as evidenced by the corporate scandals involving Enron and other corporations. These misdeeds occurred, the writer claimed, because these corporate miscreants did not learn about God in school. Putting God back in the schools, he implied, would lead to higher moral and ethical standards in our society.

The day before the letter appeared, I began a meeting of our Church's Outreach Committee with a reading from Mary's song of praise after the angel sent by God that tells her she is going to give birth to a son to be named Jesus. In her song about the great things God has done, Mary says that "He has filled the hungry with good things, and the rich he has sent empty away." (Luke 1, 53). Caring for the hungry, the sick and needy was so much a part of the ministry of Jesus, and continues as a core mission of the Christian Faith.

For this reason, a more likely explanation for the deterioration of standards in corporate America is the culture of greed and self-interest that has engulfed this country over the last 25 years. This began with the massive tax cuts and other policies of the early '80s. These actions favored corporations and rich individuals at the expense of middle- and low-income families. Now we are facing more tax cuts that favor the rich, while the recently enacted budget bill reduces Medicare and Medicaid benefits for the poor and elderly, and cuts student aid for needy college students. What do the needy, the sick and students learn about our "Christian" nation from these acts?

Several years ago, the administration let oil and gas industry executives draft the nation's energy policy. Now many Mainers pay \$2.29 a gallon for gas and wonder how they will heat their houses this winter while oil industry profits are at record levels. Similarly, lobbyists for the drug industry were instrumental in placing a provision in the new prescription drug law that forbids the government to use its economic power to negotiate lower prices with the pharmaceutical industry. Meanwhile our Canadian neighbor has taken action that allows its citizens to buy medicines they need at a fraction of the cost we pay.

This culture that promotes greed and self-interest as a positive virtue is a much more compelling factor in moral decline than denying prayer in public schools or the right to place the Ten Commandments on school walls or in courthouse halls. Real spiritual growth and religious faith are not learned in schools, but come from daily interaction in our families and in our communities of faith. I would not want a school system or any other agency of the government to be responsible for the religious education of my children. That is our responsibility as parents and church communities. Our Founding Fathers had it just right when they forbid government from making any "law regarding an establishment of religion," but also forbid any restraint on our "free exercise" of religion.

This country may be the wealthiest and most powerful country in the world. But as long as it, as a matter of national policy, allows corporate executives to believe that the laws do not apply to them, and ignores the needs of the poor, the sick, and the elderly, we will not give God a proper place in our lives, as the writer would like. We need to understand what Christianity truly means at this sacred time of the year, and act on that understanding.

Henry Stewart
Greenwood

In our back yard:

Looking good can be a lot more healthful in the new year

We all use personal care products for that clean and healthy look: shampoo, toothpaste and cream are part of our daily routine. Yet many of us have been surprised to learn that some of the personal care products available for sale contain ingredients that can actually be hazardous to our health.

Natural, hypoallergenic or fragrance-free are good sounding labels, but these claims can be misleading.

Studies reveal that many personal care products on the market have ingredients that are linked to allergic reactions, birth defects and even cancer.

So it is curious then, that the U.S. government does not require health studies or pre-market testing on personal care products. Some common chemical ingredients of particular concern to health experts are phthalates and parabens, which can be found in products from nail polish to deodorant.

These chemicals are not necessarily listed as ingredients on all labels, but several major companies started phasing out phthalates in 2004 in response to consumer concerns. The good news here is, we as consumers have choices. The FDA is now requiring companies to post warning labels on many products that have not been tested.

The state of California has even started requiring manufacturers who sell there to identify any products with carcinogens or reproductive toxins on the label.

We as consumers can benefit from taking the time to read the labels carefully and mak-

ing informed choices.

But sometimes even smart shoppers who read the labels can get confused by the scientific terminology.

To help us, there is a new website that clearly spells out what ingredients to avoid. At www.ewg.org/reports/skindeep2/index.php you will find an online database making it easy to check the safety of over 7,500 personal care products.

In addition, there is another site www.safe-cosmetics.org/companies/signers.cfm featuring a list of companies who have signed the "Compact for Safe Cosmetics," pledging to phase out chemicals banned by the EU. The same site also provides listings of companies with organic products.

With the holidays and a New Year on the way, we have an opportunity to take inventory and shop smarter by choosing personal care products that are free from possible harmful effects.

With good information and the power of choice, we can all be safer, healthier and look good, too.

This column was submitted by Deb Avalone-King, an Environmental Specialist with Maine DEP's Bureau of Air Quality.

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Our Back Pages

Compiled by Danna Brown Nickerson

10 years ago: According to the National Weather Service nearly twice the normal amount of snow had fallen in December.

Arlene Bean, SAD44 school bus driver for 25 years, was honored at a retirement party.

The Jordan Sisters entertained with clogging at the Bethel Senior Citizens annual Christmas party.

Birth: Zachary Todd Mills.

Death: Arlene I. Reynolds.

20 years ago: Michael J. O'Donnell was elected president of the Oxford County Trial Lawyers Association for 1986.

Despite zero degree temperatures, a large crowd turned out for the Christmas tree lighting in Bryant Pond.

The Bethel Area Health Center exceeded its fundraising goal of \$98.6 thousand by nearly \$60,000.

Births: Elliott Brackett Lyons, Mark James Gagnon, Whitney Boyker Emens.

Deaths: Mrs. Emily A. Lane, Mrs. Thelma B. Hicks.

30 years ago: Mt. Abram Ski Slopes opened for the season on Dec. 21.

Brush had been cleared and a new fence erected at the Mason Cemetery.

Shirley Merrill's third grade class sang Christmas carols on Norway radio station, WNWY-FM 93 on Christmas night.

Deaths: Jeffery P. Chaplin, George Bernard Cushman, Mrs. Mary B. Stalmuke, Charles F. Keenan.

40 years ago: Pvt. Dale Lapham, Hanover, completed eight weeks of advanced individual armor training at the Army Armor Center, Fort Knox, Ky.

A covered platform for the alarm siren was placed atop the new fire station.

Bryant's IGA Food Store was advertising coffee for 69 cents a pound, potatoes for 59 cents a peck, and bacon for 69 cents a pound.

Deaths: Stuart W. Goodwin, Mrs. Grace Bartlett.

50 years ago: Mr. and Mrs. Guy Butler, owner/managers of Bethel Inn, announced that Merton Conner would assume the post of Superintendent of Buildings on Jan. 1.

Five two-way radios had been authorized for the Oxford County Sheriff's Department.

The Happy Herdsmen 4-H Club met at John Greenleaf's camp on Songo Pond for skating and skiing.

Birth: Roscoe Edward Perham, Jr.

Deaths: D. Grover Brooks, Mrs. Nellie A. Billings, Wanda Lee Waterhouse.

60 years ago: Maurice Brooks' new home on the Middle Intervale road was nearly completed.

Charles Tuell, Harold and Lawrence Tuell went to Ormond Beach, Fla. where they were employed.

70 years ago: A horse and carriage and a Chevrolet coupe were in a collision at the foot of Church Street. The horse was badly injured and had to be shot. Neither the driver of the horse nor the operator of the car were hurt.

Thirty-three children were present at the Legion and Auxiliary Christmas party.

Deaths: Donald E. Hamlin, Mrs. Etta Gulliver, Alton L. Day.

80 years ago: Mt. Abram Lodge, IOOF, and Sunset Rebekah Lodge with their families held a get-together in observance of the New Year. There was a short program.

Large crowds were attending dances at the Bethel Grange Hall.

Death: Mrs. Mary Agnes Barrows.

100 years ago: The supper/dance held at the new East Bethel Grange Hall netted \$21. The dance was held upstairs.

Eben S. Kilborn was installed as master of the Bethel Masonic Lodge.

Dana Philbrook moved into his new house on Mechanic Street (demolished in 2003).

Bertha Valentine attended the Maine State Grange session in Bangor.

Fannie Billings was installed as worthy matron of Purity Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star in Bethel.

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From the Bethel Police Log:

Monday, Dec. 26

At 6:40 p.m. Officer Travis Fillmore responded to a village location for a report of a barking dog on the complainant's porch. The dog was eventually picked up by the owner.

At 7:30 p.m. Officer Travis Fillmore responded to Willard Road for a 911 hangup call. While enroute the officer was informed by dispatch that children had been playing with the phone.

At 10:30 p.m. Officer Travis Fillmore assisted a subject on Mayville Road with a disabled vehicle. The officer stood by until a tow truck arrived.

At 12:21 a.m. Officer Mac McCormick responded to a disturbance at a Main Street location. Two subjects were warned for disorderly conduct.

At 12:45 a.m. Officer Mac McCormick checked on a subject on the East Bethel Road who could not be reached by another subject. There was believed to be a phone problem.

Sunday, Dec. 25

At 10:25 a.m. Officer T.J. Reese responded to the Songo Pond Road in Albany to assist a sheriff's deputy with a domestic call. A subject was arrested.

At 1:30 p.m. Officer T.J. Reese found the door to a Route 2 business to be unlocked. An employee was contacted to secure the building.

At 2:05 p.m. Officer Travis Fillmore responded to the Bailey Road for a report of two dogs, not leashed and not under good voice control, on the complainant's property. The officer planned to talk to the owners regarding animal laws.

Saturday, Dec. 24

At 1:58 a.m. Officer Mac McCormick responded to Route 2 for a report of a vehicle off the road. The vehicle had left by the time the officer arrived.

At 2:13 a.m. Officer Mac McCormick responded to Vernon Street for a vehicle off the road. There was no damage, and a tow truck was called to pull the vehicle back on the road.

At 3:38 p.m. Officer Travis Fillmore checked a business parking lot for a vehicle reported to be operating erratically. There was no contact.

At 5:01 p.m. Officer Travis Fillmore stopped a vehicle on the Parkway for a defect. William Timberman, 52, of Albany was given a summons for operating after suspension.

At 9:18 p.m. Officer Travis Fillmore stopped a vehicle for a defect on Mayville Road. John A. Wilroy, 44, of Westbrook was given a summons for operating without a license.

Friday, Dec. 23

At 8:20 a.m. Officer Mac McCormick assisted Bethel Rescue at a call on Paradise Road.

At 8:45 a.m. Sgt. S.R. White responded to the Gibson Road to assist the Fire Department with the rescue of two dogs that had fallen through the ice on the Androscoggin River.

At 1:30 p.m. Sgt. S.R. White responded to the Osgood Road for a 911 hangup call. A door was open, but a check showed everything to be all right.

At 1:30 p.m. Officer Buddy Richard responded to a Route 2 location for a report of a violation of conditional release. On behalf of a state bail official, the Bethel officer arrested Amanda K. Johnson, 19, for the offense.

Thursday, Dec. 22

At 6:08 a.m. Officer Travis Fillmore assisted Bethel Rescue with a call on Kilbourne Street.

At 10 p.m. Sgt. S.R. White assisted a state trooper on a domestic complaint on Route 232.

At 4:15 p.m. Officer Buddy Richard responded to a Route 26 residence for a report of telephone harassment. Another police department was contacted to try to issue a warning to a subject.

At 2 p.m. Chief Alan Carr assisted Maine Drug Enforcement agents with the arrest in Bethel of a subject on a warrant.

At 12:30 p.m. Chief Alan Carr responded to Vernon Street to take a report that a draft horse harness was missing from a barn.

At 11:20 p.m. Officer Travis Fillmore assisted Bethel Rescue with a call on the Walkers Mills Road.

This report highlights points of interest from the Bethel Police Department log. It lists cases reported in the log of adults being arrested or issued a summons in the 10 days prior to the newspaper's publication, but does not include all reports of police activity, such as routine speeding tickets and other civil violations. To reach the Bethel Police Department, call 911 in emergency situations, 824-3437 in non-emergencies.

Briefly

Tripp ordered to pay court costs

BETHEL — Former Bethel Police Chief Darren Tripp has been ordered by a federal court judge to reimburse the town of Bethel for more than \$6,000 in court costs, following his long legal battle with the town. But the money would go to the Maine Municipal Association's Risk Pool, Bethel's insurer, which hired an attorney to defend the town. Tripp, who was fired by Town Manager Scott Cole in early 2004, sued the town for monetary damages and to try to get his job back, then filed appeals when he lost the lawsuits. MMA considered the lawsuit frivolous, Cole said. The appeals were also rejected.

New Year's Bethel lineup

BETHEL — The eighth annual New Year's Bethel will take place the evening of Dec. 31 at several locations in Bethel Village. Activities will include: on the Common, a Dragon Parade at 6 p.m., a fire for roasting marshmallows, and fireworks at 11 p.m.; refreshments all evening at the Robinson House on Broad St.; ringing in the New Year at the town clock on Main Street (bring your own bell). Musical entertainment at various locations will include Joe Perham, Maine humorist; the State Street Traditional Jazz Band; Three Wheel Drive (folk and folk/jazz); Ti'Acadie (Quebecois, New England and old-time dance music); and the Fred Garbo Inflatable Theater (with large inflatable props). Tickets, at \$10 for adults and \$8 for ages 8-16, may be purchased in advance at the Bethel Citizen, Bethel Historical Society, Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce and Maine Line Products (Locke Mills).

Golf event funds donated

BETHEL — Members of the Campton Classic Golf Tournament, an annual golf event held at The Bethel Inn Resort and Country Club, donated \$2,000 to the Bethel Rotary's Christmas for Children program. The Bethel Rotary Club's Christmas for Children is an annual fundraiser to support the purchase of toys for needy children in the area. "This very generous contribution from Mike Tamasi and his fellow golfers from the Campton Classic was a larger reason why we reached our goal of \$12,000 for the Christmas for Children benefit," said Steve Wight, president of the Bethel Rotary Club. "The number of children grew this year to 180 and such contributions made it possible to grant the wishes of these children and families." The Campton Classic is a golf group from Campton, N.H. that has been coming to the Bethel Inn for their annual tournament since 1995. "We're excited to help support the children of the Bethel community this holiday season," said Mike Tamasi, organizer of the Campton Classic Golf Tournament.

Millworker died of heart condition

RUMFORD — A NewPage Corp. employee who fell off a paper mill tank Monday died of heart failure, not from the fall, according to police. John Crawford Jr., 58, of Dixfield was found shortly after he fell at about 6 p.m. He was taken to Rumford Hospital where he was later pronounced dead. It was determined that he had only minor injuries from the fall, and had died from cardiomyopathy, an existing medical condition.

Young skier falls from lift

BARTLETT, N.H. — A 7-year-old boy suffered only minor injuries Thursday after falling about 40 feet from a chairlift and landing on his skis at the Attitash Bear Peak ski resort. The Gloucester, Mass., boy was on the Summit Triple chairlift when he slid off his seat, said Tom Chasse, the resort's president. His father and cousin tried to grab him but couldn't hold on. The boy's father jumped down after his son and also landed on his skis. Chasse said the boy suffered a strained ankle but was otherwise unharmed. He did not know the boy's name, but said the child was lucky to have landed on a soft spot that had not been packed down.



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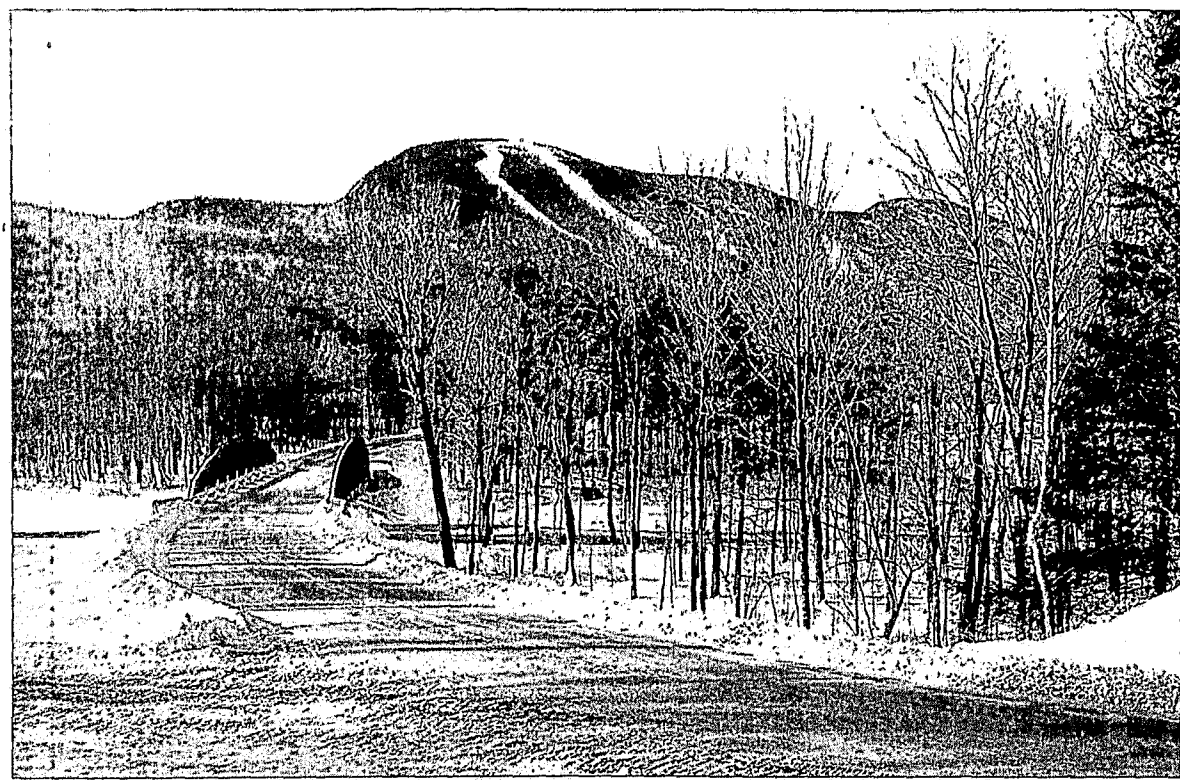
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Subdivisions

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WHITE HOT—The popularity of Sunday River Ski Resort has helped to fuel the real estate market in the Bethel area. Here: a new road and bridge in The Peak subdivision. (Photo: A. Aloisio)

They worried about the adequacy of the project's roads, the loss of traditional public access to the land, and the impact on town services.

The parcel of land that includes the proposed Gardiner Valley subdivision also includes an additional 1,800 acres in neighboring Newry.

In November, MaineVest LLC, the marketing company behind the Andover project, presented the Newry Planning Board with a plan that calls for carving those 1,800

acres into 60 lots.

That plan is currently under review, but for the moment the Andover project is "on hold," according to engineer Tom Dubois, of Main-Land Development, the Livermore Falls consulting firm that has handled most recent subdivision plans in this area.

Closer to Bethel, a 58-lot, 441-acre residential development, "The Peaks" has been approved for the slopes of Mt. Will in Newry.

A 300-foot buffer would pro-

tect the summit and a nearby hiking trail.

In an unusual move, Newry selectmen agreed in August to allow the developers to sell lots before the project road is constructed.

In return for the approval, the developers, Mike Liberti and Bruce Lilly, agreed to post a \$1.8 million guarantee.

The bond is intended to insure that the road gets built, even if the developers end up abandoning the project (as has been known to happen).

Towns

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But a year later the board's efforts to develop ordinances led to a backlash — in the form of a petition and vote to abolish the board.

Some residents were concerned new ordinances would lead to too many restrictions on private property.

The town, warned one critic, was on the way to becoming "Gilead, Mass."

But at a special Town Meeting in June the new ordinances were adopted, and the Planning Board itself was preserved — if only by the margin of a single vote, 33-32.

In Newry, an increase in the number of homes in hard-to-reach places prompted the Fire Department to propose that all new homes larger than 2,000 square feet be required to have an automatic sprinkler system.

But many residents, and sev-

eral developers, objected, saying people shouldn't be forced to purchase such protection.

Selectmen were also skeptical, and the proposal was dropped for the moment.

Instead, town officials are now focusing their efforts on the development of a general Fire Protection Ordinance, which will primarily address subdivisions.

Greenwood voters also approved new and revived ordinances this year.

At a special Town Meeting in November they approved revisions to the town's Subdivision Ordinance, and they adopted the town's first Site Plan Ordinance (which applies primarily to new businesses).

They balked, however, at a proposal to give the town code enforcement officer the authority to approve building permits in non-shoreland zoning

areas (the usual arrangement in most other local towns).

Members of the Planning Board currently have that responsibility, and most said they want to keep it.

The change was defeated, but the issue is expected to be revisited at Greenwood's annual Town Meeting in March.

Late in the year Greenwood's Comprehensive Plan Implementation Committee also began work on another sensitive issue.

Committee members are studying regulations from other towns governing ridgeline development, with the aim of amending the Greenwood's Land Use Ordinance to include ridgeline rules.

The committee does not expect to have a proposal on the matter ready in time to present to Town Meeting in March, according to Town Manager Kim Sparks.

Businesses

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But hardware and lumber were selling well intown, where Western Maine Supply Company was doing a strong business, buoyed in large part by the recent construction boom.

In November of 2004, Western Maine completed a 33,000-square-foot drive-through lumber store, and this year the company began work on an additional 2,500-square-foot expansion, which will accommodate new kitchen and bath, and door and window offerings, as well as more space for hardware.

The new addition is expected to be open April 1, according to co-owner Frank Lowell.

Getting Creative

In April, more than 50 local people turned out for a community conference on "Our Creative Economy."

The "Creative Economy" is a broad term that encompasses people engaged in creative

endeavors, such as musicians, artists, designers, craftspeople, healers, gardeners, growers and even techies.

Maine Gov. John Baldacci has described the creative economy, as "a catalyst for the creation of new jobs in Maine."

Conference organizers believe the Bethel area is the natural setting for a flourishing creative economy, given the area's natural beauty and quality of life — and the skilled, resourceful people such attributes tend to attract.

And that view is borne out not only by new businesses coming to the area, but also by some long-established local enterprises — including Bonnama Potters, Mt. Mann Jewelers and S. Timberlake Company.

Together the three small businesses have been doing business here for a total of 90 years.

More recent additions to the local creative economy include Ted and Connie St. Pierre, who in 1996 opened the Outlook recording studio.

And Connie, tapping the marketing potential of the Internet, has since established herself as a best-selling New Age musician, selling her CD worldwide over the Internet.

And even Leon Favreau, a battle-scarred veteran of the old economy, sees real potential in the creative economy.

For his next endeavor, he said, he plans "to be delving into 'spiritual furniture.'"

Such items would include a "yoga stool," kits for creating "energized chairs," from existing designs, and devices such as the "Ring of Oden," which he describes as "a healing tool that optimizes positive and negative ion flow throughout the body and helps restore homeostasis or optimal balance."

Trails

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reational Trail Program to see if it will receive funding to extend a paved trail over that section.

Top priorities for 2006 will include extending the Pathway from Davis Park to Telstar and improving connections within Bethel Village.

Traditional trails

Any trails developed by the Trails Committee are expected to also tap into the informal trails network that already exists here.

Traditional snowmobile trails feature prominently in the existing network, but over the past year their vulnerability has become increasingly apparent.

The existence of such trails depends on permission from the private landowners whose property they cross, and increased development activity has created a situation in which that permission may be harder to come by.

Recently a proposed subdivision between the North Road and the Androscoggin River has threatened the continued use of a trail running between Bethel and Gilead. The trail is popular not only with snowmobilers, but also cross-country skiers.

Twelve-hundred feet of that trail crosses land slated to be divided into five house lots.

Unless permission can be obtained from all five of the eventual purchasers (which appears unlikely), the trail will be severed and closed.

The developers of the parcel have given permission for the trail to be used during the current winter season, according to Robert Lowell, trailmaster of the Bethel Snow Twisters, the club that maintains that section of trail.

But after that, the future of the trail is unclear. A possible alternative route skirting the subdivision is being discussed.

The developers, Lowell said,

"have promised to work with us to figure something out."

Even trails on public land can be subject to closure, especially when they cross state lines.

For example, a dispute between Maine and New Hampshire had in effect closed a popular 70 mile interstate loop from Bethel to Songo and Crocker ponds, Evergreen Valley, Deer Hill, Route 113, Gilead, then back to Bethel.

Until four years ago snowmobilers from both states could travel trails in either state without registering their sleds in the other state.

But that agreement fell apart, in part because Maine believed increasing numbers of New Hampshire riders were using Maine trails without paying to help maintain them.

The end of the agreement meant that snowmobilers in one state could not ride the part of the trail that was in the other state — unless they were willing to pay to register and insure their machines in two states.

That standoff, however, was resolved in June, when an agreement was signed by the governors of Maine and New Hampshire opening the entire trail to riders from either state.

"We're just happy campers," Robert Lowell said at the time the new agreement was announced.

Greenwood's new park

This year also saw some new trails cut in Greenwood, though on a much smaller scale than most snowmobile routes.

In July the town signed a purchase-and-sales agreement for an 84-acre parcel of land just across the Greenwood Road from South Pond (map below).

The land had been offered to the town at \$200 an acre — well below the market rate —

by long time resident Maggie Ring, who hoped to see it developed as a park for local residents and visitors.

Greenwood voters eagerly accepted the offer, and, while the purchase will not be finalized until January, a network of trails was cut and marked this summer by Blaine Mills (with Ring's permission).

The trails vary in length and difficulty.

For hikers willing to tackle a little uphill, splendid views await.

Underground activities

There are also more things to do underground.

This year the Bumpus Mine in Albany was opened to the public as the geological equivalent of a museum.

Visitors can collect rock specimens and learn about the geology that created them.

And the new owners of the Dunton Mine in Newry, famous for the tourmaline crystals it has produced, have said they hope to soon be able to offer public tours and educational programs. See newry-quarriesptg.com.

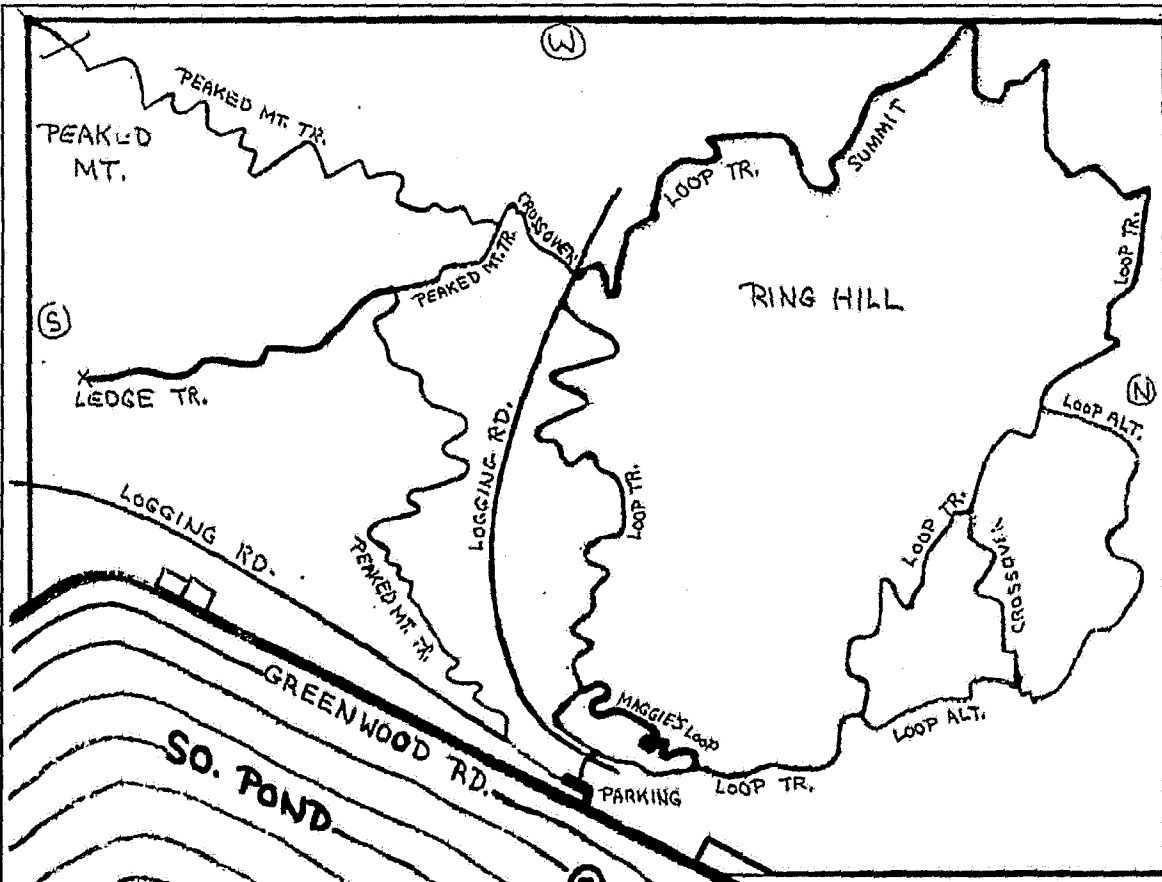
Tee time

A major draw for outdoor recreationalists of a different sort was also completed this year.

The long-awaited 18-hole Sunday River Golf Club opened its front nine last season and added its back nine in August of this year.

Designed by Robert Trent Jones Jr., the course is 7,130 yards, and its self-contained fairways are not only the widest in Maine, they are also afford sweeping views of the Sunday River Valley and Maahoosuc Mountain Range.

The developer and operator of the course is Harris Golf, which owns and operates the Boothbay Country Club, the Bath Country Club and Harris Golf Shop, the largest golf shop in Maine.



TRAILS IN GREENWOOD'S NEW RING PARK. Colored versions of this map are available in the Greenwood Town Office (875-2773).

Roads

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18-wheelers, passing through the small village.

The Maine Department of Transportation has met with town officials to dis-

cuss the feasibility of the idea, as well as possible bypass routes.

MDOT plans to do an engineering study in late winter

or early spring of 2006.

If the proposal proves to be viable, it would be at least five to 10 years before the bypass would be ready for use.

Domestic tragedy, fires, drug crime, and some happy endings

A family stabbing took two lives and highway accidents took two others in the Bethel area during the past year.

But area emergency personnel also made several successful rescues.

In early February, James Behan, 29, fatally stabbed his father, Kevin, 56, at the father's home in West Paris. The younger man then apparently turned the knife on himself. Both men were dead at the scene.

Later in February, 18-year-old Michelle Waterhouse of Bethel died when her truck skidded on a patch of ice on the Monkey Brook Road in Newry and went over an embankment.

And late in the year, Peter O'Farrell, 59, of Arlington, Mass. was killed on Route 26 in West Paris when his van crossed the center line and struck another vehicle.

Fires

In January, Linda and Roy Buck were burned out of a Bethel trailer they were renting. Three months earlier, they had lost their own Bryant Pond home to fire. They have since rebuilt their home.

Also in January, an electrical fire at the BIG Adventure Center in Bethel was successfully doused by employees and area firefighters.

Crime

The biggest crime story of 2005 took place in April, when a raid by area law enforcement personnel on a Woodstock home led to the arrest of three Connecticut men on felony firearm charges.

The raid resulted from an investigation prompted by information that one of the men was selling cocaine in the area.

Rescues

There were happier endings when several people, injured

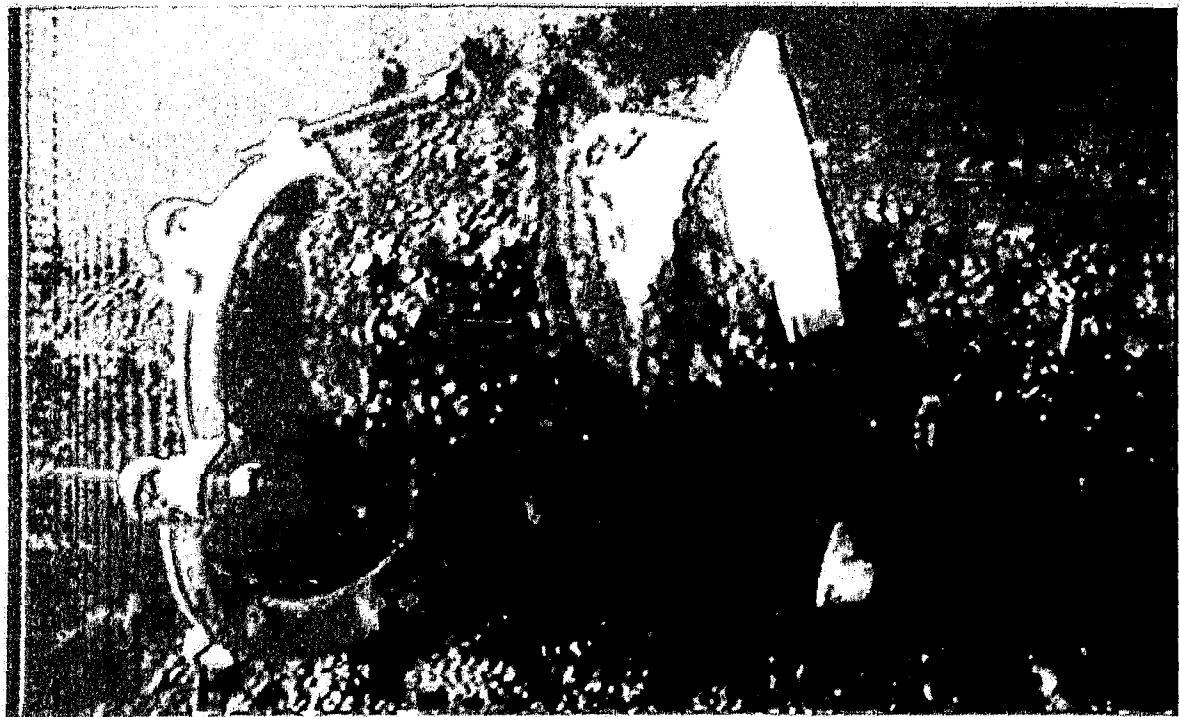
or trapped, were saved in rescue efforts. Among them:

In April, 30 rescuers teamed up to carry an injured hiker down from Woodstock's Bald Mountain.

In July, Bethel and Tri-Town rescuers carried a Pennsylvania man up from the gorge at Screw Auger Falls in Grafton Notch, after he fell from the waterfall. He suffered head injuries.

In September, rescuers freed Richard Tibbetts of Wilton when a wall of sand in a gravel pit collapsed over Tibbetts' bucketloader as he was digging.

Human lives weren't the only ones saved in 2005. Just before Christmas, Bethel Fire Department rescuers saved Frank Gibson's two dogs when they fell through thin ice on the Androscoggin River in Bethel.



UNDERWATER WATER MAIN FAILS—For three weeks this summer, Bethel village was supplied with water by means of two 2-1/2-inch fire hoses. The hoses were rigged after this joint in the existing underwater main failed on Aug. 12. The failed line, an eight-inch cast iron main installed in 1889 was replaced with a 12-inch ductile steel pipe. (Photo adapted from video by Waterworks Diving)

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Public schools struggle with state funding cuts; Gould to put \$1 million gift toward salaries

2005 was a trying budget year for SAD44, the result largely of the state's effort to revamp its school aid funding formula.

At Bethel's private prep school, Gould Academy, a parent of an alumnus made a \$1 million gift to help improve teacher compensation.

SAD44
The year began amid worries that a proposed change in the state's school funding formula could shift a large part of SAD44's tax burden from Newry to other towns in the district.

Newry's large tax base gave it a large share of the school budget. But the proposal called

for a town's student population to figure prominently in calculating its share of the district budget — a move that would drop Newry's share significantly, because of its small population. The other towns would have to pick up the difference.

Fortunately for the taxpayers in those towns, area legislators successfully put through a change that allowed SAD44 to maintain its current method of sharing costs.

Some Newry residents objected to the change after it had been made, but the formula was preserved.

An unrelated change in the state's method for funding schools did reduce money coming to SAD44, and forced the district to make cuts in staff and services for FY'06.

The changes included returning to single bus runs, with elementary and secondary students sharing the ride to school. As a result of that change, classes at Telstar start later this year than in the past.

Ann Holt, SAD44's longtime special education director, retired this year. And Bruce Powell, longtime business manager, announced he will

retire at the end of this school year.

Gould
Gould Academy received a commitment for a \$1 million gift from Margaret Schubert, the mother of a 1994 Gould graduate.

The gift is the second largest from a living person in the school's history. It will go to support an endowment to increase compensation for the faculty.

Gould also settled a lawsuit this year with a Farmington couple whose son was expelled in 2004 for striking a roommate with a skateboard.

The couple sued when Gould refused to refund tuition after the expulsion.

They claimed the student that was struck had been bullying their son prior to the incident, and Gould failed to protect him.

The case was settled out of court when Gould paid the couple \$14,500.

Adults in the area lost an educational resource when the College of Lifelong Learning, operated through Sunday River Ski Resort, announced it would close at the end of this year. Low enrollment and budget problems were cited.

Dumont, Telstar golfers repeat as champs

2005 saw Bethel's Simon Dumont repeat as the gold medal winner in the Winter X-Games ski SuperPipe Championship, held in Aspen, Colo.

Dumont, a 2004 Telstar graduate, was the first skier to win back-to-back gold medals in the event.

The finals of the competition were televised live on ESPN.

In the SuperPipe, skiers launch themselves into the air off the sides of a 500-foot-long halfpipe. The goal is to go high and perform difficult spins with smooth execution.

Also repeating a championship was the Telstar High School golf team and individual champ Brady Chapman, who won the Class C state team and individual championships, respectively.

The high school basketball season ended with a first for Telstar High School, as both the boys' and girls' squads qualified for post-season play at the Augusta Civic Center.

In skiing, Telstar Middle School's girls' alpine team won the Class A championship, and the Rebels' Samantha Largess won individual titles in both slalom and giant slalom.

In the spring and fall, Telstar High School's softball and field hockey teams went all the way to the state championship games before losing in both by the same score, 2-1, to the same school, Central High of Aroostook County.

In October, Bob Remington of Bethel was named to the Maine Ski Hall of Fame for his many years of coaching Telstar ski teams and other contributions to the sport.



USFS BIRTHDAY

The U. S. Forest Service celebrated its 100th birthday on Aug. 25. Events in the White Mountain National Forest included a tour of the Hastings Village logging camp site in Batchelder's Grant, south of Gilead. Led by USFS tech Joe Taylor (second from left), the tour examined grown-over remains of housing, mills and waterworks from the camp, which flourished during the logging boom that took place along the Wild River from 1890 until World War I. But also among the remains were the shell of an old bus (shown here), probably from a Depression Era encampment of the Civilian Conservation Corp., which planted white spruce and constructed Route 113 through Evans Notch. Taylor's father, Harry, worked in the Hastings camp, and was a key source for D.B. Wight's 1971 book, "The Wild River Wilderness."

(Photo: M. Daniels)

The Way I See It

by Sharon Bouchard

Sharon Bouchard's column is published by special arrangement with the Advertising Department

Weeks of planning, shopping and wrapping have come to an end. They ended in a storm of paper, bows and boxes flying through my living room. In less than an hour the floor was knee deep with wrapping paper, bows were stuck to the lamp and my butt and the only bare spot in the house was under the Christmas tree. And, it was wonderful.

My grandsons, two age nine and one age six, are still a lot of fun to shop for. Though some of the age appropriate toys baffle me a bit, I still know a toy when I see one. However, I know that in Christmases to come I will need an electronic guru to guide me through the maze of games and gadgets that will top my grandsons' future wish lists.

Even though the three youngsters are quite video game savvy, their grandmother is not and I was able to sidestep all of that this year. The kids are still young enough to get some enjoyment out of board games, Legos and books. I'm afraid these non-electronic items will fall into obscurity in the not-too-distant future.

I have no clue about Play Station 1 and 2, Nintendo in all its forms, Game Boy, Game Boy Advance, Game Cube and X-Box. I know what they are; I just don't understand anything about them. What's even more confusing to me is the really hot video game systems, hand held or otherwise, that people are fighting over this year will be obsolete next year. I just don't get it.

As a rule, I don't make New Year's resolutions because I always break them before the month is out, but this year I am making one. And that is to learn everything I can about electronic video games and gadgetry. If I'm going to be thrust into a sea of whiz-bang and beeping toys, I

want to know what in the heck I'm doing.

I know this won't be easy considering that I am the Queen of Techno-Dopes. I barely know my way around my computer and I get tense every time I play a DVD. We recently switched from cable to a dish and I have yet to figure out the remote control.

It took a while before I understood the basic options on my microwave and I have never figured out how to set the clock on my car stereo system. Reprogramming the timer on my coffee maker is about as good as I get.

As a rule, I don't make New Year's resolutions because I always break them before the month is out...

But, that is all going to change in 2006. I'm going to start by going through all the user manuals I have never really looked at such as for my VCR, DVD, DISH NETWORK and anything else I own that's all capital letters. Once I've mastered taping and preprogramming to tape shows, learned to pause movies on my DVD player and go back to them without going back to the beginning of the movie and learned my way around my DISH remote, I'm going to figure out the clock in my car. It will be nice to not wait for Daylight Savings Time every year to be on time.

Then I'm really going to take the big leap and learn the difference between Play Station 1 and 2 and by next year 3, all of the various Nintendos, Game Boy, Game Boy Advanced, Game Cube and X-Box and all the

different models of that game system.

Then I'll study up on which games fit which systems and which ones are age appropriate for my grandsons. I know there are some really bad violent games available and I certainly don't want to end up buying one of them.

At that point I should be feeling confident enough to find out what a Raspberry and an iPod are and why everyone seems to want one or the other or both.

All of that technological knowledge will probably help me explore all the things my computer can do and how to do them. That would be something amazing.

Wow! Armed with some understanding of what all these electronic do-dads and gew-gaws are all about, the sky's the limit.

Well, that's a bit of an exaggeration, but some knowledge of this world would at least make me feel like less of an idiot. As my grandkids grow into this stuff it would certainly be helpful to know what in the heck I'm buying them for future birthdays and Christmases.

And just how am I going to gain all this insight into the technological world you ask? That's a good question. There are no adult education classes that cover all of this that I know of and any books on the subject are beyond my comprehension. I think the Geek Squad only helps after you buy the stuff and I want to know before I buy it.

I'm not concerned though because the way I see it the best way to become in tune with all this technology is to have my grandsons teach me.

I'd like to wish all of you a very Happy, Healthy and Prosperous New Year.

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Super Crossword

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Bethel



by
Virginia
Keniston

Congratu-
lations to Mr.
and Mrs. Jim
Feeney in

South Lake Tahoe, Calif., on the birth of their son, Jay Willard Feeney. Grandparents are Ruth and Don Feeney of Bryant Pond.

Guests of Bud and Mary Paine this past week were Elaine Jacques of Auburn, Don Ferrera and his mother, Floretta Ferrera, of New Bedford, Mass.

Don and Rita Frost of Portsmouth, N.H., are at their Bethel home on Chapman Street for the week.

Barbara Lucas passed away Christmas Day at her home on Church Street.

Lucille Belisle, formerly of Bethel, has been in the hospital in Waterville and at present is in rehab there.

A Christmas Eve Festival of Lessons and Carols was held at Bethel Methodist Church. Participants were Sunday School children and the choir. Brenda Wodka sang "Joseph's Lullaby" very lovely.

Helen Crouse Burgess of Springvale, formerly of Bethel, passed away recently. She attended Gould Academy Class of 1938.

Phyllis Bancroft is a rehab patient at the Veterans' Home in South Paris.

Cassie Mason, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. John Mason is home on vacation from U. of Colorado in Boulder, Colo.

Lisa Clanton of Philadelphia, Pa., is home this week with her parents, Norm and Sylvia Clanton.

Tim and Lynn Hutchins entertained their family over the Christmas holiday.

Stephen Seames had family over the weekend: his parents, Raymond and Louise Seames of Kingfield; Robert and Suzanne Young of Madison; and his nephew, Benjamin Taylor Willis. Guests for the week are Richard Smith of Kent, England and Kristen King of Trinidad.

Gilead



by
Lin Chapman

Christmas
has come and
gone. Hope-
fully every-
one had a
Merry

Christmas and a Happy Holiday season. I hope that I will hear from a few more people about what they did over the holidays.

My brother and wife, Steve and Lise McLain, had their son and wife, Brad McLain and Adrienne Vail, for dinner on Christmas Day. They also heard from their other sons, Joey McLain and Stephen McLain. Stephen and his family are visiting his wife's relatives in California for Christmas.

Hugh and I celebrated with Tim and Michele and all the kids and Michele's parents, Leo and Ann Croteau of Berlin, N.H. William, Annie and Ajay were really into opening their presents. Sidney needed a little help with the unwrapping and was more interested in what the other kids were doing.

We got a call from our other grandson, Benjamin Chapman of Ellsworth. They had a great Christmas and had just finished eating dinner. Our son, Chris, called to wish us a Merry Christmas. He and Kym were enjoying a quiet day and had just finished watching the "Twelve Dogs of Christmas" DVD that we had sent. Since it was filmed in and around Bethel, we thought Chris would enjoy seeing some of the scenes. We made sure to point out to him the picture of Lainey Cross on the back of the DVD package, since she was an extra in the movie.

It is great to hear from everyone around this time of year. Hugh had a call from his brother and wife, Bill and Barbara Lord of Phoenix, Ariz. When Bill was here for the Gould reunion this fall, he wanted to look up a cousin,

Jane Kochaniec, who lives in Gorham, N.H. We found her and stopped by for a visit.

This past week, Hugh and I were in the grocery store in Gorham and were talking with Pete and Christen Mason of West Bethel. While we were standing there, Jane came around the corner of the aisle. It was very nice to run into her again.

Gilead Historical Society
I hope those interested in Gilead history have had a chance to check out the Bethel Historical Society website mentioned in the last column. If not, give it a try at www.bethelhistorical.org. Randy is doing a great job.

Each week, I want to add a little about Gilead's past, and in this column I would like to share a little about Bennett's Tavern. J. W. Bennett was a very prominent businessman from Gilead's past. He will be included in future articles. The following is taken from a little booklet that was published to advertise the Tavern and included several pictures:

"Bennett's Tavern is located among the White Mountains, overlooking the beautiful Androscoggin River, in Gilead, the extreme northwestern town in Maine, adjoining the popular resort town of Shelburne, N.H., and eleven miles from Gorham, N.H., twenty-eight miles from the summit of Mount Washington, eighty miles from Portland, Maine. Gilead is a small but beautiful little village on the Grand Trunk Railway, having express, long distance telephone, telegraph and post-offices and church. No better natural scenery can be found anywhere, pure spring water right from the mountain sides, nice roads and drives, and many points of interest easily reached from here.

"Bennett's Tavern, not over three minutes' walk from the depot, one minute from church or post-office, five minutes from the Suspension Bridge across the Androscoggin River, is a new house, fitted with



LET'S JUST KEEP MOVING, DAD—Three-year-old Emma Hall of Lehigh, Fla. suffers from a brain tumor, which has left her blind. The Make-a-Wish Foundation contacted her family about offering a trip to do activities she would enjoy. Her dad, Steve, said Emma loves all kinds of rides, enjoys the wind in her face, and likes cool weather (because her illness often leaves her feeling uncomfortably warm). So a trip to a winter recreation area was a natural choice, he said. The family, which also includes brother Andrew, sister Sarah and mom Michele, spent several days last week at Sunday River Ski Resort enjoying a variety of snow sports and activities, as well as a snow groomer ride, and a sleigh ride at Deep Woods Farm in Albany. On Thursday evening, the family tried snow tubing at Sunday River. Here, Emma rides the tube with Dad. "She gets mad when we stop," said Steve after several runs that the little girl thoroughly enjoyed. Steve said doctors did not expect Emma to live past her first birthday, so they consider the time they've had since then a blessing. (Photo: A. Aloisio)

bath-rooms and closets, open wood fire-places, broad piazzas shaded with maple trees, and a short distance from the woods with a nice pine grove within two minutes' walk. A grove of large maple trees shades the house and piazza, making a cool, airy place, while for good, pure, dry air this place is not surpassed in any region. The house accommodates fifty to sixty guests.

"Wild River, which is famous for the speckled trout, is within a quarter of a mile of the Tavern, and it is but a short drive to several of the best trout brooks to be found. Good partridge shooting, and deer in fall and winter are very plentiful, having been seen within a year crossing the field within gunshot of the tavern, and up Wild River three or four miles is a spot noted for these trim, sleek-looking animals. Half a mile west is Mount Ephraim,

with its round, shapely summit covered with green forest growth in sight from the piazzas. Looking north from the front, across the river, rising majestically in plain view, are the mountains of Tumbledown Dick, Cambo, Bear Mountain and Robinson's Peak.

"A large farm is connected with the Tavern, from which fresh vegetables, milk, cream, etc., are supplied. As are the pork and lamb for the table. The house is heated throughout by a wood furnace. The beds and cuisine are excellent. A livery is connected, with good teams of most any description from one to four-horse turnouts at moderate prices. The Boston & Maine Railroad runs through cars without change from Boston to Gilead."

Got any news? Call me at 836-2987 or e-mail chapmal@hotmail.com.

West Bethel



by
Lorrie Hoeh

"... Fast
away the old
year passes,
hail the new,
ye lads and
lasses ..."

In the last few days before Christmas the bird activity was unusual and interesting. On Tuesday last week a male cardinal showed up (thanks to the Innans for lending him to us!) among the dozen or so blue jays. Then on the same day a flock of 18 or 19 turkeys paraded through the yard and helped themselves to the leavings under the feeders.

Next day, Wednesday, the turkeys were back, along with Mr. Cardinal. Then on Thursday we were treated to a solitary common redpoll, scratching around on the ground. The

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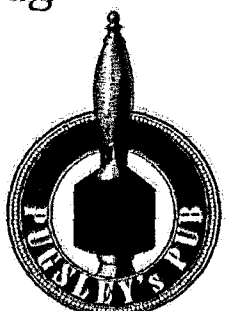
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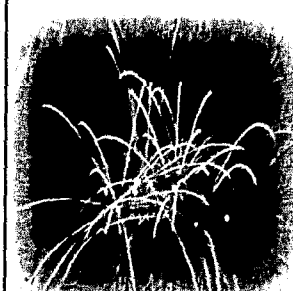
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OUTSTANDING TREE FARM—Ernest and Alberta Angevine of Bethel were named Oxford County's "Outstanding Tree Farmer" for 2006 by the Maine Tree Farm Committee. The Angevines were nominated for the award by forester John Laban. "It's one of the best tree farms I've ever seen," said Laban. He said the Angevines have been practicing selective harvesting and sustainability for more than 50 years. "[Ernest] and Phil Chadbourne were both ahead of their time when it comes to sustainability. They started doing it when other people weren't." Laban also credits Alberta for holding the family together while Ernest was serving overseas during World War II, "putting them in a position to buy the land" that would become the farm. In recent years, the Angevine property has served as an environmental education site for local school children, and has been open to the public for fishing, hiking, and snowmobile/ATV use. The couple also donated the land that has become Angevine Park, Bethel's swimming pond. The Angevines currently have 196 acres in the tree farm. On Jan. 11, the couple will also be honored as the runners-up for the state's Outstanding Tree Farmer. The winner is the Malcolm Coulter farm in Eddington. Pictured here are, from left: Dave Harvey, Maine Tree Farm State Committee vice-chair; Alberta and Ernest Angevine; and Laban. (Photo: A. Aloisio)

Inmans told me that they and others in the neighborhood have seen a lone snow goose, primarily in the vicinity of Smith Farm Road, I presume near the Pleasant River which meanders through the fields and under the bridge there.

Now Christmas is past, and all the many holiday gatherings are just a fond memory, brought to mind by full recycle bins, new sweaters, toys, books, and other goodies, not to mention a few new inches around our respective middles.

On Christmas Day we spent a pleasant interlude at Mike and Betsy Cooper's neighborhood gathering. While munching on cookies that Helen and Betsy had baked, we enjoyed visiting with Lesley Rowse and Gary Inman, Jeanne and Andy Boelsma, and the Richmond family of the old Smith Farm. The various children and dogs of said families created their own entertainment. At one point I think there were at least five Labrador retrievers, including Jake, romping in the snowy yard.

Christmas dinner with daughter Martha and family followed. We all ate too much because it was so-o-o good! And Molly and Andrew seemed very happy with their gifts. Our Boston family was due to arrive on Monday afternoon for a three-day stay, hopeful of some decent skiing

conditions. Alas, the dismal and disastrous rainfall of Sunday night may have put the kibosh on that.

And now, as the new year approaches, it seems appropriate to think about what's gone on in the old one. We've all had much to enjoy and be grateful for, and there have been some losses as well. Among the latter is the sudden passing of Judy Haskell, who has been a pillar of the Bethel Historical Society since its inception. She will be much missed, and our heartfelt sympathy goes to her family.

We think about what we've accomplished in 2005— and what we haven't quite finished; about the resolutions completed, and those we just didn't get around to. It's time to make a plan to deal with the "holiday ten," or five, or whatever (pounds, I mean), and resolve to get rid of them. One resolution I wish all you neighbors would make is to call or write me now and then with news (836-3011; dhoeh@megalink.net). C'mon, now, you don't really want me to natter on about my family, my dog, my wildlife sightings, do you?

"... Fast away the old year passes, hail the new, ye lads and lasses..." Happy New Year to all!

Upton



by Eleanor LeComte
We could not have wished for a better Christmas. The weather

cooperated with above-freezing temperatures. The snow melted but the forecast predicted a lot more snow in the future. You may "Think Snow," but only for the ski trails and the slopes. It's a little messy for the snowmobilers at present.

The town's residents mostly stayed home for the Christmas holiday, with a few migrating south to enjoy the day.

The reverse of Christmas is in progress. The removal of ornaments and the Christmas tree is happening in most homes. Lights will remain through January and the wreaths will be in place until the fourth of July.

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what a nice display was at the Upton Village Store. Friday is becoming "Chowder Day" at the store. Truckers, town folks, and snowmobilers are partaking of this hearty, heart-warming soup. It is not low calorie, but who cares? We haven't made our New Year's resolutions yet.

With New Year's approaching fast we are reminded of the unfortunate people caught in the Tsunami, hurricanes, and our troops in Iraq. The good news is that the troops will be arriving home soon.

Evelyn and Jim Kenney hosted a very fine Christmas Eve dinner with friends and neighbors.

A warning to you all! There are two huge bull moose complete with large racks on Route 26 between Upton and Errol.

The deer are wandering around from apple tree to apple tree feasting on this year's bumper crop.

This winter we have been lucky to have only one red squirrel, aka "Bush Tailed Rat." This morning we watched two. I still can't figure out whether they were romancing or protecting their territory. Incidentally, they have broken the code for entrance into our "squirrel proof" feeder.

The "Bird of the Week" is the bohemian waxwing. Evelyn Kenney's apple tree kept them busy for a couple of days last week. This bird is slightly larger than the cedar waxwing and much more elegantly groomed, wearing white and yellow on his wings and chestnut under his tail. This hardy fellow can survive in sub-zero weather, which explains why he is in Upton. A shortage of berries or apples may send him further south for the remainder of the winter. He shares many of the markings of his cousin the cedar waxwing with the red markings. There are times when it will join a flock of cedar waxwings. He has a rough, buzzing voice whereas the cedar waxwing has a lisping call. The bohemian waxwing lays four to six dull blue eggs with black spots. Evelyn Kenney has enjoyed watching them from her window.

Wishing you all a Happy and Safe New Year.

Mason



by Richard Grover

You've heard about the creeping crud? Mona and I have had it in spades for the past two weeks now. I, for one, don't care if I never get another cold like this one. Fever, coughing and congestion that just goes on and on. Mona says hers is due to the flu shots we had around the 8th or 9th of December. Her cold came on just a few days after our shot, and she had it a week or more before I got it. At any rate, I'm sick of it!

Mason was blessed with visitors during the Christmas weekend. Verna's grandson, Greg Thayer, brought his wife, Jola, and three-year-old daughter, Maya, from California to Maine for Christmas. Maya was thrilled with the snow.

Elsie Aylward's daughter, Eileen, brought her two daughters, Madison and Lucy, for a surprise visit from South Carolina. Elsie and Josh enjoyed having the "patter of little feet" around the house for the holidays. Not only that, but those little girls are sure busy.

Matt Ludden's folks, Dave and Peggy, brought her two daughters, Madison and Lucy, for a surprise visit from South Carolina. Elsie and Josh enjoyed having the "patter of little feet" around the house for the holidays. Not only that, but those little girls are sure busy.

We began the summer last May with six new baby chicks, primarily so Boston could tend them while they were young. When feathered out, we put them in the old chicken house across the road. One day, I let them out into a small fenced enclosure behind the chicken house. The chickens discovered a weakness in the fence, and some of them got out. Big mistake! Snuffy found them and made "mincemeat" out of three of them. The three remaining pullets were doing okay until one morning last week. One had just begun lay-

ing eggs, and I heard cackling when I headed down to give them some hot water (cold out, you know!). I just figured they sometimes cackle when they have just laid an egg; when I opened the chicken house door, there was one hen dead on the floor and an ermine (weasel with his winter white coat) with blood dripping out of his mouth standing over the body. Another terrified pullet had broken the glass window and was stuck between the glass and the outer chicken wire. There was no club handy, so I couldn't catch the weasel, which ran out through the broken window. But he kept coming back and peeking in to see if I had left. I scurried back to the house for the .22 and Snuffy. When we got back to the chicken house, Snuffy made a pass around the building, and the weasel came bounding out. He paused just a few too many seconds as he started up a tree, and I ended that threat. No way are those two remaining pullets going to last till spring!

Hanover



by Clem Worcester

Several weeks ago we asked for folks to let us know which were the best Christmas displays around town. Well, no one called, so I'll just make notice of one that I thought was very pretty. The home of Angela and Andrew Bressette and family at the intersection of Main Street and Howard Pond Road is very nice.

The Hanover Select Board met Tuesday, Dec. 20, for their monthly meeting. The Board reviewed estimates for replacing the Second Bridge on the Howard Pond Road. Accepted was a proposal from Community Energy of Rumford to replace the furnace at the Town House with a direct vent gas unit. The fuel oil left over from the old furnace will be used at the town office. Bethel Police Chief Alan Carr attended the meeting and spoke about proposed changes in area law enforcement to better serve the rural areas.

After interviewing four citizens for the vacancy on the Planning Board, the Select

Board appointed Steve Pelletier to a five-year term. He is replacing Frank Morrison, who was elected to the Select Board last October.

Speedy get-well wishes go to Steve Dyer who has been very ill and hospitalized in Lewiston. Steve lives on Andover Road.

The year 2005 has just about come to an end so it is time for our Story of the Year. A lot of things happened in Hanover this year and most of them were good. The most impressive story that we were involved in was the cross-country bicycle trip of Barb and Irv Robinson. Barb and Irv began their trip at the Atlantic Ocean in Bar Harbor in May and ended at the Pacific Ocean at the end of August. They peddled their bikes over 7,000 miles to reach their destination through mostly the rural northern tier of American states and southern Canada. Pledges of support for the Robinson's trip from all around the world were received to benefit the Gardner Roberts Memorial Library Moving Fund. Over \$7,500 was raised for that project. In September Hanover area folks had a reception to honor the Robinson's effort at Stony Brook Recreation.

Surely there will be many more memories made during 2006. We wish everyone the very best of luck in the coming year. See you next year.

Andover



by Melinda Averill

Well it is over with for another year, Christmas. I hope everybody had a nice Christmas Day with lots of good food and cheer. I certainly did. Now we need the week to rest and get ready for New Year's Eve.

Robert and Kaye Swain and Lucy of Lexington, Ky., and Courtney Swain of Wichita Kan., spent several days visiting his parents, Robert and Violet Swain of East Andover. Violet broke her right hand in a fall on Dec. 14. It will be in a cast until January.

Sympathy is extended to the family of Virginia Morton, who passed away on Dec. 19 at her home in Andover. She

is survived by her husband, Owen, and their children, Richard of Andover, Mike of Rumford Point, Sandy of Peru, and Tom of Florida, and five grandchildren. Virginia also had several brothers and sisters in the Andover area. Funeral services were held last Thursday at the First Congregational Church, with the Rev. Jane Rich officiating.

Guests of Eda Perkins for Christmas Day were her two granddaughters, Sheryl and Linda, and their families.

The Mills family gathered for Christmas at the town hall on Sunday; a chicken pie lunch was enjoyed. Those attending from out of town were Chris and Shiela Mills and family, South Portland and Roger and Lucy Mills from Windsor.

The kids go back to school on Tuesday, Jan. 3.

Nomination papers are now available at the town office for the following town officials: selectman/assessor/overseer of the poor, three-year term; fire chief, three-year term; road commissioner, three-year term; town clerk/tax collector, three-year term; treasurer, three-year term; school board, three-year term; planning board, three-year term. All nomination papers must be returned to the town office no later than 1 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 2.

Swift River Health Care will be sponsoring a Flu Clinic at the Andover Town Hall on Friday, Dec. 30 at 9 a.m. There will be a \$20 fee for all non-medicare/medicaid residents.

Have a nice weekend and a happy New Year.

Newry



by Sylvia Harrington

Karlene Bachelder and Gilberte Seeley drove to Cumberland to spend Christmas Day with her granddaughter, Michele Josephson and family. Claire, George and Julie had driven from Wiscasset to be with them all. They had a nice visit and dinner together before Karlene and Gil returned to Newry in the late afternoon.

Sylvia Wight called me from her daughter Gretchen and Bill Strauss' home in North Waterford where she spent

Saturday night and Christmas Day. She returned to Lewiston Sunday afternoon.

There were lots of cars at Melvina Cummings and Don Twitchell's home; and at Brian and Wendy Hanscom's home as I drove by on my return from Rumford on Christmas Day.

At the Trading Post, Debbie's dad was here from Arizona. He was behind the counter working last week when I stopped by.

I also found it hard to believe that our Recycling Center was open on Christmas Day.

On the 25th, my son, Mark, and I drove to my brother Saul's home. His son, Philip, from Concord, N.H., and daughter, Rebecca, from Portland, along with our cousin, Claire Marx from North Windham, were all in Rumford for a Christmas Day visit and dinner. Johan outdid herself with not only all the dinner and dips and appetizers before the meal, but she had also entertained on Christmas Eve for many of her friends and family.

As I write this it is nice to know that we have gained two minutes of daylight.

On Dec. 18, John and Nancy Wight enjoyed an early Christmas with Jason, Sarah, Jordan and Payton Berry of Greenwood; Ed and Retta Powers, Terri Littlehale, Brad, Brenda, and Katie Wight, all of Newry; Kurt and Kevin Wight arrived later.

Ed and Retta Powers enjoyed Christmas with her daughter, Mandy Berry in Delray, Fla.

Jason and Sarah Berry and daughters spent Christmas at her folks in Connecticut.

Mike Wight, Terri and Dan Littlehale, Brad, Brenda, Katie, Kurt and Kevin Wight all enjoyed Christmas Eve and Christmas Day at the home of John and Nancy Wight.

Best wishes to all for a wonderful, healthy and contented year of 2006 as it approaches us Saturday evening.

Albany



by Sheila Dyke

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Thank you to Holle and Fernand for the beautiful wreath dropped off on Saturday. Dana put it on the corner of the house for all to see. It is so lovely, and such a nice surprise to come home from work to. Thank you again.

And, thank you to everyone out there who would smile, or wish a Merry Christmas, as we passed by on the sidewalk, in the stores, or let a car waiting to turn pass in front with a wave, or wherever. Most of you we do not know, but, thank you.

This time of year is very stressful for so many, and to take time from your thoughts of gifts, family gatherings, dinner, etc., to greet a stranger or offer any kindness is a very special thing and worthy of a "thank you."

Sunday ushers in the new year of 2006. Amazing how quickly this year has passed. 2005 will be a year remembered by many around here as a year of ups and downs, but, the knowledge that God is ever faithful and watching over all of us has certainly helped with the "downs," and bolstered us with the "ups."

God has certainly blessed us, and when talking with others, we know that he has touched many others as well. Always remember: God does not punish with hardships. Hardships are sent in order to strengthen us for what lies ahead. With every hardship, many more blessings are sent our way.

We may think we know what we need, but, those are usually what we want.

Only God truly knows what we need, and He will always deliver. He loves us and we are His children — as any good parent, he wants us to be strong, happy, but he also wants us to use our talents. We may never understand the "how" or "when," but, we can always understand the "why."

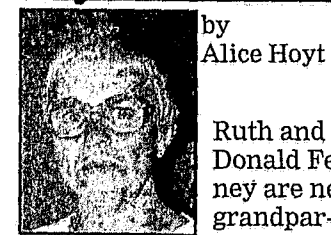
Best wishes to Pam and Carleton on their trip. We will miss you both, but hope you have a wonderful time. Traveling blessings on all who need to travel at this time of year.

Don't forget that church services on Sunday start at 9:30 a.m. Pastor Ed Gammon always delivers a nice service, and the fellowship is always wonderful there. Our church is affiliated with Grace Fel-

lowship in Oxford (Pastor Ed offers his sermons there at times, too), and if you are in need of evening services, Pastors Waterhouse and Parsons always deliver nice services, too.

God Bless and Keep through the new year.

Bryant Pond



by Alice Hoyt

Ruth and Donald Feeney are new grandpar-

ents. Their son Jim and his wife, Michelle, just had a baby boy, Jay Willard Feeney, named after his great-grandfather.

Services at the Baptist Church are Sunday School at 9:15 a.m.; morning worship at 10:30 a.m.; evening service at 6 p.m.; Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. is prayer meeting; Thursday at 9 a.m. is ladies prayer time. The church, Sunday School and choir put on a very nice Christmas program on Sunday evening, it was very well attended.

The Woodstock-Greenwood Senior Citizens will meet on Thursday, Jan. 5, at the Town Annex for a meeting. This is a potluck dinner with game party after. Please bring a dish to share, either hot dish, salad or dessert and an item for the game party. Also, bring your own place setting. Meeting starts at 11:30 a.m. Dues are due for 2006.

Franklin Grange 124 will meet on Saturday, Jan. 7, with a 10 a.m. meeting and a potluck diner at noon. The meeting is at the Grange Hall.

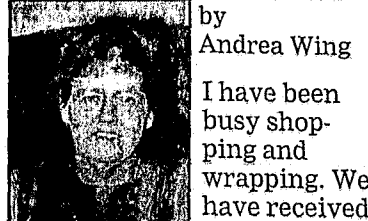
Curator Larry Billings reports the Historical Society Museum looks very nice with fine decorative arts. The society does all it can to preserve the history and artifacts of the town of Woodstock.

Curator Larry Billings sent Christmas Greetings to President Bush and got a nice letter back. Do you want to see letters from the last four presidents? Visit the New England Cultural Center. You can learn about our cultural heritage and talk to the one who wrote the book on culture. This winter he has many things on display on Royalty, as he is interested in royalty. He has signs

he recently got at Trap Corner Restaurant and Gift Shop and a bronze Indian on horseback from the Under Cover Flea Market. Larry recently attended the West Paris Universalist Church where he heard a sermon on ministers in general. Joe Perham was especially nice. He always is anyway. Larry thanks Paul Billings for shoveling the Historical Museum.

Happy New Year to you all.

South Woodstock



by Andrea Wing

I have been busy shopping and wrapping. We have received

lots of Christmas cards. I hope everyone had a nice Christmas and will have a Happy New Year.

Jim and Jerold Mason (father and son) have been in business making and selling furniture, lamps, bottle openers and other articles made out of deer antlers. They both live in South Woodstock and have an interest in this business for years.

Sarah Lynch, Zack, and Jessie Hart spent a recent Saturday at their grandparents, Earl and Pat Hart's for an early Christmas. Vic Hart and family were also there. They had a good time visiting.

Richard had a Christmas breakfast with his former co-workers at the State Camp in Bethel. He said he enjoyed seeing old friends.

Joan Poland and Terry Merrill are leaving after Christmas for Missouri to visit with Jo-Anna Southard and family. Jo-Anna is Joan's daughter and Terry's sister. They are anxious to see the new baby, Kleet, and Molly who turned one year old in November.

Call me or write me with your Christmas parties, etc. This paper goes out to town and state and they like to read about local news.

Happy Birthday to those celebrating in the first month of 2006. They are Jane Chandler, Brandon Dunn, Kendall Hill, Vic Hart, Lisa Mack, Jim Mason Sr., Matt Moore, Todd Poland, Elmer Waterhouse. Happy Anniversary to Leslie and Patty Thurlow.

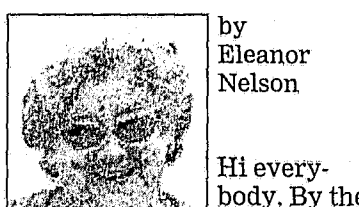
Each year at this time, I al-

ways think of my brother, Gerald Poland who died in WWII in the Battle of the Bulge. He died on Jan. 6, 1945 and even though I was a small child I still remember the day we heard the news. He was only 19 years old.

Quote of the Week: "I have learned that all grandchildren are beautiful, brilliant, and take after their grandparents."

Have a Happy New Year.

East Stoneham



by Eleanor Nelson

Hi everybody. By the time you read this,

Christmas will have come and gone by. I hope you all had a good one and have a Happy and Healthy New Year.

This past week Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus came to town at the Stoneham Community Room at the Fire Station. I believe there were about 50 children there at the pizza party and Christmas tree. A.J.'s Everything (owned by Andy and Janna) donated all the pizzas. There were other refreshments for the evening. Marty Hamlin was there with his music and guitar. I heard from several sources that it was a wonderful party for all the children and adults there.

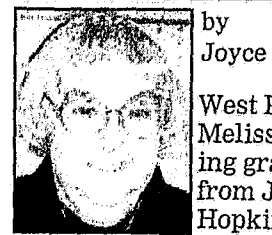
I was sorry to have missed it. That was the night that the electric power went off here and I was a bit busy. Maybe next time I can be there and see all the little children in town. Thanks go to all the volunteers who put this on. The children all got gifts besides talking with Santa.

Then, on Sunday afternoon some Christmas carolers came to our house and sang several songs. Their voices were nicely blended and were very good. Our kitchen was standing room only. It was nice to have them. The Rev. George Froberg stepped in further to speak to Albert, who was lying down. Everybody has been good to us, the church and town of Stoneham and daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, Tent 19, and we

thank you all.

One day this past week Dale Nelson went to Boston and brought Matthew home from his college. Matt will be on vacation and then the first of January will be leaving for California for his last semester. He will stay and work out there.

West Paris



by Joyce Lamb

West Paris's Melissa Vinograd graduated from Johns Hopkins

School of Medicine with her doctorate in biological science. Her grandmother, Ruth Hazelton, traveled to Baltimore, Md., to attend the graduation ceremonies last week and is very proud to see the granddaughter she raised achieve such a high degree of success. Melissa is a graduate of Oxford Hills High School and Bates College, and received high honors at Johns Hopkins. In January she starts work at Human Genome Science in Rockville, Md. Congratulations Melissa!

At the West Paris Universalist Church at 9 a.m. on Sunday, Jan. 1, the Rev. Robert Wolfe will be guest minister. Jim Burke is the organist, and coffee and refreshments will be served after the service. All are invited to attend.

Sayward Lamb was well enough to fly, so he and Cynthia left on the 22nd for Florida for the rest of the winter. They do not care for snow in their later years and do love the sun and warmth of the south. They have a lot of tales to tell friends in their park about their attempts to get to Florida.

Georgine Thayer will be 95 years old on Jan. 2, 2006. A "card shower" is planned so her friends can congratulate her, so if you know her, please write a note and send it to her at 218 Pioneer Street, where she lives with her daughter, Beverly, and son-in-law, Vince Stevens.

Wendy Lamb is spending the holidays with her mother, Joyce Lamb. She will be here three weeks and is a great help. She is helpful in getting me organized, but isn't having much success in her plans

to do away with "unnecessary stuff" throughout the house. I tell her she can have her house the way she wants it and I can have my house the way I want it.

Christmas morning Ken had his younger children, Caleb, Kyle, Catherine, and Carolyn here to open Santa's stockings and presents. Ken prepared a special breakfast for all. For Christmas dinner and presents, Wendy and I went to my granddaughter Kyra (McLaughlin) Flaherty's house in Sabattus. This is the first Christmas Kyra and her husband, Gene, and daughter, Molly, have spent in their home. It was decorated beautifully and there was tons of room for all of my grandchildren to run around and around. Also present were: Jude Lamb and Rob Collins of Lamoine, Peggy Lamb and husband Mike Seaton of Augusta, Nina and Rob Hyssong of South Portland, with their children Joshua and Emily, and Kelly and Cameron Hartley of Auburn, with their children Nicolas, Sophia, and Weston. Gifts were plentiful for everyone and the little ones had an abundance of toys and clothes. It was good to see everyone there, but also good to get home and rest Christmas night.

Buffy is improving with two nurses to give him his antibiotic. The wound on his neck is shrinking and dry, so if he does not scratch it should be healed shortly. He is active and goes out several times a day, whether it's snowing or raining. He doesn't enjoy the cold wind, however, and huddles back in to cuddle up in his warm basket.

Locke Mills



by Lorraine Larson

It has been a busy Christmas for me this year,

more so than some years, although I am not sure just why. We had our church dinner and party on Dec. 10, which is why, I guess, that I overlooked the party for the Greenwood Fire Department and Auxil-

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ary. For some reason I had gotten it into my head that it was the next week. It was a good thing I checked my calendar Sunday after church or I would have shown up casserole in hand and no place to go, except home that is.

As it was I had no place to go so I stayed home and took in a couple Christmas shows on TV. Actually, come to think of it, they were showing a movie at church that night but I had already said I was not going to be there so I decided to give it a miss. It probably was just as well because I had been to two Christmas parties on Saturday and, considering I was not even sure what week I was on, I needed the rest.

One might have thought that I had been sampling some Christmas cheer, but really it was only a very nice dinner at the home of Lorene's brother and wife, Greg and Fran Adams, in Waterford. I went with Mat and Mandy Konkright to the home of Russell (Joe) Yates where Lorene's mother has been staying to look after Joe and sister, Peg, who is recuperating from a serious operation. Laura took her van and Mat, Mandy and I to Waterford. Peggy did not really feel like making the trip and Joe stayed home to be with her. Other guests were Terry and Rose Adams; Timmy Adams and wife, Denise and their daughters, Addie Rose and Lissie; Terry and Rose's two grown boys, Andy and Art, and Fran's mother, Eleanor.

We got home from that just in time for me to accompany Crystal and Al Lake to the home of Leslie and Andy Aron in Upton for another great party. We had lasagna, salads, chicken legs, and more desserts than I care to think about. There were cheeses and crackers and ice cream, cheese twists, potato chips, cake, and ice cream, chocolates, to name a few. After having the nice ham dinner at Fran's I tried to go easy on things, but I still

probably had too much.

After dinner we had what I call a Yankee swap and I got a nice coffee mug and a device to keep the coffee warm when you set down your cup. I am not much of a coffee drinker (Andy used to say more than one cup and I started chattering and would not stop.), but I am sure it will work just as well on warm milk or cocoa. Those present at that party besides the Lakes and I and the host and hostess were Debbie and Owen Brown, Nettie Fitzpatrick and Raymond Chase, Dot and Roger Chopping, Elizabeth Putnam, and a couple I was introduced to, but you know me and names. Leslie and Andy have just added another big room to their house and they needed it with all of us there. They also have a seven-month-old miniature long-haired dachshund, with the appropriate name of Hairy or Harry, anyhow you spell it, you get the picture. He is so cute. I hope I have remembered everyone that was there. It might be embarrassing to remember the dog and miss a person or two.

Lorene and Ralph spent the weekend in Vermont. They go every year to see friends and take in the shops. They spent some time with Dale and Ellie Pontius and family but did not get to see a couple other buddies they were hoping to get to see.

I forgot to mention that Mat Konkright is recuperating from a fall. He was in the bathtub and when he stood up somehow he slipped and struck his ear on the doorknob to the door. Mandy took him to Stephens to the emergency room. The doctor would have liked to have taken stitches but it was a hard place to get at so he could not. Mat is still having headaches from it but the ear is healing well.

Debbie Brown's mother, Ada Cummings, is back home just in time for Christmas, which is good news.

Waterford



by Rockie Graham

This is my last column for 2005. The next one you read will be written in 2006. Hope all have a very Happy New Year.

Jan. 7, there will be a bottle drive for the Ball Field. For more information and for pick-up, call Jeff and Corinna Beebe at 583-2724 or Tom and Sam Murch at 583-2553. The Ball Field has been a community effort. Support your community.

Dec. 29, Mountain Poets will hold their Poetry Reading. It is at 7 p.m. at the Fare Share Commons. All are welcome. Since it is school vacation, I am hoping we will see some of our younger poets.

New Year's parties are scheduled in Bethel — New Year's Bethel (FMI: 824-2908), Harrison at the Ballroom (FMI: 583-6964), and at the Locke Mills Town Hall. Lots to do. Hope everyone has a great time.

Remember: Waterford/Stoneham/Albany Transfer Station will be closed New Year's Day.

From the Bethel Historical Society's Regional History Center

Advance tickets for the 8th annual New Year's Bethel are available at Maine Line Products in Locke Mills, the Bethel Citizen office, the Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce and at the Museum Shop at the Bethel Historical Society's Robinson House. If bought in advance, the tickets are \$10 for adults and \$8 for students (ages 6-18). At the door, tickets will be \$12 and \$10 respectively.

This year's event, sponsored by the Bethel Historical Society with invaluable assis-

tance from the Mahoosuc Arts Council, Gould Academy, the Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce, and the West Parish Congregational Church, offers a wide variety of family entertainment in a chem-free environment.

Venues will include Fred Garbo (inflatable theater), the State Street Jazz Band, Three Wheel Drive (folk music), Maine humorist Joe Perham, and Ti'Acade Contra Dancing. There will also be a children's dragon parade, marshmallow roasting on the town common, wagon rides, refreshments, and a bell ringing at the town clock.

Sponsors for this event are still being sought. For individuals the levels are Benefactor (\$500 or more), Patron (\$200-\$499), Sustainer (\$100-\$199), and Contributor (any amount below \$100). Business levels are Event Sponsor (\$500 plus), Supporting Sponsor (\$250-\$499), Event Friend (\$100-\$249), Associate (under \$100).

Those wishing to become a sponsor and have their name listed at all venues as well as listing in all media coverage are urged to send sponsorships by Friday, Dec. 30 to the society at P.O. Box 12, Bethel, ME 04217. All contributions are tax deductible as allowable by law.

With just days to go, the 2005 Bethel Historical Society 2005 Annual Fund passed the \$24,000 level with over 425 donors. Anyone wishing to make a tax-deductible contribution in any amount before the end of the year is urged to send it to P.O. Box 12, Bethel, ME 04217.

Over 1,300 members strong, the Bethel Historical Society, founded in 1966, is western Maine's largest and most comprehensive full-time historical agency, dedicated to collecting, preserving, and interpreting the regional past for present and future generations.

From the Bethel Rotary Club

This past month has been a busy one for the Bethel Rotary Club.

The club donated \$2,000 to the SMILE Fund, a project originated by the West Parish

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PUBLIC HEARING
The Board of Selectmen will be holding a Public Hearing at 7:00 PM on Monday, January 9, 2006 in the meeting room at the Town Office. The public hearing will be held to discuss a proposed amendment to Chapter 75 of the Town Code entitled Traffic, Parking and Pedestrians. If you are unable to attend the meeting please forward your comments in writing to the Bethel Town Office 19 Main St. P.O. Box 1660 Bethel, ME 04217 Attention Scott Cole, Town Manager, or email at info@bethelmaine.org.

PUBLIC HEARING
Pursuant to Title 28 MRSA 252 -- a notice is hereby given that a Public Hearing will be held on January 9, 2006 at the Bethel Town Office to consider a Liquor License renewal from The Jolly Drayman at the Briar Lea Inn located on Mayville Rd., and Finnish Line Pizza located on Main St. Public comment will be heard at that time. Prior to the hearing date written comment may be issued to the Bethel Town Office.
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Sports
High School Boys' Varsity Basketball
Telstar 58, Mt. Abram 49; Dec. 22— Telstar recovered after a slow start to defeat Mt. Abram. Mount Abram jumped out to a 13 point lead after eight minutes of play, 21-8. Louis Thornton scored all three of his baskets in the Rebel-controlled second period to help cut the lead to a halftime score of 26-30. The evenly matched teams battled in the third period and Telstar shortened the lead by 2 points to 41-43. The Rebels' defense dug in and held their opponents to 6 final period points, while posting 17 of their own, to secure the win. Telstar was lead by Sean Caddigan with 24, and Ryan Kimball dropped in 12 points with 10 boards.

High School Boys' J.V. Basketball
Mt. Abram 44, Telstar 42; Dec. 22— Telstar scorers: Andy Whitney (16); Ryan Hannigan (8); James Kimball (5); Jon Sabins (5). "Andy Whitney had a nice driving layup across the lane to tie the game with time running out, but it just rimmed out," said coach David Berry.

High School Girls' Varsity Basketball
Telstar 57, Monmouth 38; Dec. 28— Telstar's Jillian Kimball and Kelsey Dole each scored 15 points in a win over Monmouth. Other scorers: Bailey Davis (9); Liz Rosenberg (6); Josie Reiss (4); Lindsey Hart (2); Chea Davis (2); Megan Smith (2). Kimball had two three-pointers and Dole and Bailey Davis one each.

Telstar 34, Mt. Abram 30; Dec. 22— Telstar's Jillian Kimball scored nine points and Bailey Davis, Kelsey Dole and Josie Reiss six each in a win over Mt. Abram. Other scorers: Chea Davis (3); Lindsey Hart (2); Chelsea Cozzolino (2).

High School Girls' J.V. Basketball
Monmouth 27, Telstar 25; Dec. 27— Telstar lost a hard fought game to Monmouth. April Bolstridge led all scorers with nine points and went 5-for-5 from the free throw line.

School Lunch
Week of Jan. 2
Telstar and Middle School Lunches
Monday: Holiday.
Tuesday: Beef and gravy over rice, veggies, fruit, milk.
Wednesday: Fish sandwich, french fries, veggies, fruit, milk.
Thursday: Chop suey, dinner roll, veggies, fruit, milk.
Friday: Rib-B-Q sandwich, potato chips, veggies, fruit, milk.
Served Daily: salad choice, pizza choice, cold sandwich.
SAD44 Elementary Schools Lunches
Monday: Holiday.
Tuesday: Rib dippers, rice, salad bar, applesauce cake, milk.
Wednesday: Pepperoni pizza, salad bar, fruit, milk.
Thursday: Chicken fajita wrap, salsa, salad bar, fruit, milk.
Friday: Turkey sub, salad bar, fruit, milk.

Congregational Church to aid local people in need of extensive dental work.

The Country Breakfast took place the Sunday after Thanksgiving at Gould Academy's Ordway Hall, and the Christmas tree on the Common was lit on Dec. 3.

On other weekends during December, Rotarians took part in the annual bell-ringing fundraiser outside the Bethel Foodliner.

Money placed in the pot goes toward the club's Christmas for Children, which provides gifts to youngsters of needy families. Our thanks to the Foodliner.

In addition to funds collected by bell ringing, the club also received donations through other organizations and efforts. Thanks to the generosity of residents, businesses, organizations and visitors to the area, the goal of raising \$12,000 was exceeded.

This was the busiest year so far in terms of requests for help, with between 170 and 180 children in need.

The annual Senior Luncheon took place Dec. 13 at the Locke Mills Legion Hall, with about 130 people attending. The Interact Club helped Rotarians in serving dinner to seniors.

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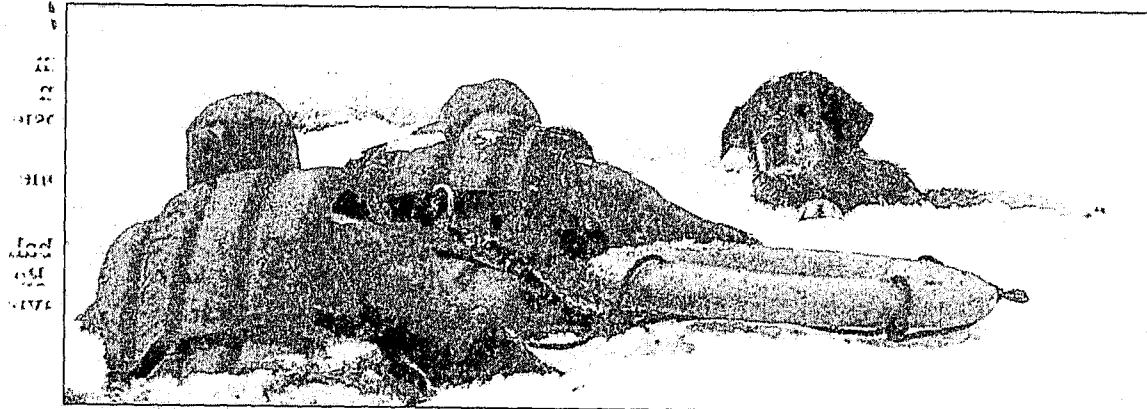
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River rescue



When Frank Gibson's dogs, Henry and Wolf, fell through the ice on the Androscoggin River last Friday, Gibson called 911 for help from the Bethel Fire Department. Top left: Wearing rescue suits, Jim Bennett and Mike Bennett got to Henry first and handed him to Randy Autrey and Marvin Collins in the department's boat. In the background, Wolf appears to be discouraged and slumps down into the water. Top right, back on land, Henry runs up the river bank as Kristin Gibson calls him. Above left, as the firefighters make their way toward Wolf, the dog, his courage renewed, pulls himself partly up onto the ice. Right, after reaching Wolf and pulling him out of the water, the men hand him to Collins. Left, reunited with Frank Gibson, Wolf makes his way to the house to warm up. The dogs, who were in the water for about an hour, were taken to the Bethel Animal Hospital to be checked. Helping on shore with the rescue were Shannon Sumner, Mike Jodrey, Ray Cooley, Bert Leonard, BPD Sgt. S.R. White and George, Ira and Kristin Gibson. Jodrey said Gibson did the right thing in not trying to rescue the dogs himself. Ice on rivers and lakes continues to be inconsistent in thickness, and people should be wary of venturing out onto it. After Friday's rescue Frank's wife, Clarice, was wished a Merry Christmas. "It will be now," she replied. (Photos: A. Aloisio)



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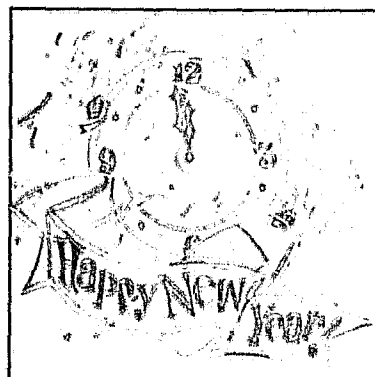
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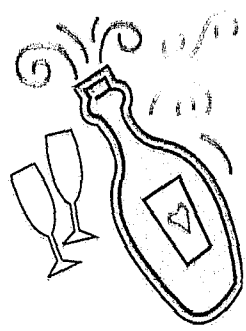
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Events Calendar

Seniors Lunch every Tuesday, 11:30 a.m., at Bethel Methodist Church, Main Street, sponsored by SeniorsPlus. Donation for 60 and older and spouses, \$2.50; all other guests, \$4. Reservations important. For information, menus, reservations, call 824-3591 or 824-3168 (also the number to call to apply for Meals on Wheels).

9 a.m. (Fridays) — Oxford Hills Duplicate Bridge at Fare Share Food Coop, 443 Main Street, Norway. All bridge players invited to attend and bring a friend or two. Refreshments. For more information, call Mimi Bell (743-6061) or Rowena Palmer (743-2882) or e-mail bridge@megalink.net.

Thursday, Dec. 29

7 p.m. — **Fusion**, a side-splitting comedy presentation by The Black Diamond Family Series at the Grand Ballroom of the Grand Summit Resort Hotel at Sunday River Ski Resort, Newry. Tickets: \$4/\$6 for children 6 to 12 and \$6/\$8 for adults. Tickets may be purchased on-mountain at the South Ridge Welcome Center, the Snow Cap Inn and the Grand Summit Hotel front desk or at Books-N-Things in Bethel village. FMI: 824-3575.

Friday, Dec. 30

6:30 p.m. (sign-up) — **Open Mic Night** at First Universalist Church, 479 Main Street, Norway. Open mic begins at 7 p.m. Admission: \$3. Refreshments available. Also a drop-off box for non-perishable food donations for Oxford Hills Food Pantry. Performers of all ages encouraged to bring and share songs, stories, comedy, dance and poetry in a fun and relaxed atmosphere. FMI: call Heather at 935-4505 or e-mail vessel@prexar.com.

Saturday, Dec. 31

Beginning 6:30 p.m. — **8th annual New Year's Bethel Celebration**. Affordable, chemical-free festival featuring a variety of live entertainment at selected sites within Bethel Village. Programs and advance sale tickets available by contacting the society office (824-2908).

8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. — **New Year's Dance** at Locke Mills Town Hall. Buffet lunch at 9:45 p.m. Music by the Richard Felt Orchestra. Hats and noisemakers. Benefit of the Greenwood Historical Society. Donation \$9 per person. Tickets at the door.

"**Snazziest New Year's Party** at The Ballroom, Main Street, Harrison (upstairs over Market Basket) to benefit Harvest Hills Animal Center, West Bridgton. Reservations required. \$65 per person, BYOB. Includes tax, gratuity, "Appetizer Extravaganza," door prizes, dancing, silent auction. FMI or to make a reservation call 583-6964.

January 4-8

The Budweiser Clydesdales will appear during Sunday River's College Week festivities. The full eight-horse hitch will be shown at South Ridge Base Lodge. Wednesday from 1 to 3 p.m. and Sunday from 2 to 4 p.m. FMI: call 824-5243 or visit www.sundayriver.com.

Thursday, Jan. 5

7 p.m. — **At Norway Library**: Beth Nagusky, director of Energy Independence, office of the Governor will speak on Administrations Energy Initiatives, as part of Sustainable Western Maine Speaker Series. FMI: call Kim Patnode (824-0426) or Jan Kubiak (824-4301).

Saturday, Jan. 7

10 a.m. to 2 p.m. — **Bottle Drive** by Mystery 4-H. Call Leslie Bonney for bottle pick-up (824-0284).

4:30 to 7 p.m. — **Third Annual Clam Supper** at Rock-O-Dundee Rider's Club House on Paine Road, East Oxford. Fried clam (\$10), shrimp (\$9), haddock (\$9), chicken fingers (\$7). Dinners will be served with fries, coleslaw, rolls, beverage and dessert. 50/50 raffle. FMI: 539-2616 or 539-2322. For takeouts call that evening (890-5602).

5:30 p.m. — **Public Supper** at Bethel United Methodist Church. Menu: baked beans, hot dishes, salads, pie, rolls, beverage. Adults \$6; under 12 \$2.50.

Tuesday, Jan. 10

5:30 p.m. — Oxford County Republican Committee meeting/dinner at North Waterford Congregational Church with gubernatorial candidate David Emery as the featured speaker. All Republicans cordially invited to attend.

7 p.m. — **At Norway Library**: Denis Bergeron, director of Energy Programs for the State of Maine, will speak on Federal and State rebates for solar and other forms of alternative energy as part of Sustainable Western Maine Speaker Series. FMI: call Kim Patnode (824-0426) or Jan Kubiak (824-4301).

6 to 8 p.m. — **Folklore and Healing Properties of Gemstones** workshop at Telstar Regional High School Library. Cost: \$25. FMI: call 674-2765 or see Page 21 of 2006 Winter Session SAD44 Adult and Community Education.

7 p.m. — **The Black Diamond Family Entertainment Series** presents George Saterial, master magician at the Grand Ballroom, Grand Summit Resort Hotel, Sunday River Ski Resort. Tickets: \$4/\$6 kids (6-12), \$6/\$8 adults. FMI 824-3575.

Wednesday, Jan. 11

11 a.m. — **Bethel Senior Citizens Club** luncheon/meeting at The Sudbury Inn. By reservation only; call Nancy Mercer at 824-3350 or Jane Hosterman at 836-2882 before Jan 9.

Thursday, Jan. 12

6 p.m. — **Bethel Lions Club** dinner meeting at United Methodist Church, Main Street, Bethel.

7 p.m. — **The Black Diamond Family Entertainment Series** presents Laughing Pizza, America's favorite new family musical group at the Grand Ballroom, Grand Summit Resort Hotel, Sunday River Ski Resort. Tickets: \$4/\$6 kids (6-12), \$6/\$8 adults. FMI 824-3575.

Monday, Jan. 16

7 p.m. — **Hillmen Barbershop Chorus**, Pat Fleck and Wendt Bailey, will give four weeks of free voice lessons starting with registration at 6 p.m. and lesson starting at 7 p.m. on Jan. 16 at St. Catherine's Catholic Church, Norway. Parking on Beal Street behind church. Snow starting date will be following Monday. FMI: call Dr. Tere Porter at 743-0656 (evenings).

Tuesday, Jan. 17

5 to 7 p.m. — **Money, Money, Money**, sponsored by Western Maine Women's Network, will feature guest speaker Carol York, Certified Financial Planner of Ameriprise Financial at Smiling Moose Publyk House and Tavern, South Paris. To register or for more information visit the website www.WMWN.org. Invitation open to all women. Cost: \$8 for nonmembers and \$5 for members, includes



Joe Perham to Perform at New Year's Bethel

Joe Perham, a well-known Maine humorist, will capture the attention of audiences when he talks about Maine and Downeast cultures with his funny and surprisingly true stories during the 2005 New Year's Bethel at the Congregational Church and at the Dr. Moses Mason House.

Events during the evening include a children's dragon parade, marshmallow roasting on the Bethel Common, horse-drawn wagon rides, five venues (Inflatable Theater, New Orleans jazz, Maine humorist, contra dance, and folk music), fireworks, and historic bell ringing at the town clock. Advance tickets are \$10 adults, \$8 students 6-18, children 5 and under free. At the door, the tickets will be \$12 adults and \$10 students. Further information can be obtained by calling the Society at (207) 824-2908 or (800) 824-2910.

refreshments, networking and featured speaker.

7 p.m. — **At Norway Library**: John Howe, engineer, lecturer, author of "The End of Fossil Energy and 'Last Chance for Sustainability'" will lead options for making a transition from fossil fuels to renewable energy sources as part of Sustainable Western Maine Speaker Series. FMI: call Kim Patnode (824-0426) or Jan Kubiak (824-4301).

Wednesday, Jan. 18

Kids Pay Their Age Day at Sunday River Ski Resort. All skiers and riders ages 6 to 18 are eligible. FMI: call 824-5243.

7 p.m. — **Dr. Dan Vogt**, professor of Biology, SUNY Plattsburg, will speak on "Cold Mice and Hot Bees," the second Mahoosuc Land Trust Local Knowledge series presentation at the Trustees' Auditorium, McLaughlin Science Center at Gould Academy. FMI: 824-3806.

Friday, Jan. 20

7 p.m. — **Touring Production of Shakespeare's Henry V**, performed by actors from The Theater at Monmouth, at Bingham Hall, Gould Academy. FMI: 824-3575.

Sunday, Jan. 22

Oxford Hills AARP Bus Trip to "Disney on Ice at Cumberland Civic Center, Portland, leaving the old Ames parking lot in Oxford at 1:30 p.m. Call Henrietta (743-6722) to register.

Send \$40/pp payment by Jan. 4 to: Walter Taft, 1024 Gore Road, Otisfield, ME 04270. Seating is in order of payment received. Children pay the group rate as well.

Tuesday, Jan. 24

7 p.m. — **At Norway Library**: Don McLean, local veterinarian, and Tom Stocker, high school science teacher, will share their experience distilling bio-diesel from waste cooking oil and its use for heat and transportation, as part of Sustainable Western Maine Speaker Series. FMI: call Kim Patnode (824-0426) or Jan Kubiak (824-4301).

It's always wise to call ahead

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Support Services

ABUSED WOMEN'S ADVOCACY PROJECT

AWAP serves all of Oxford County and provides emergency shelter, court advocacy and support groups with child care. Rumford office 369-0750; Norway office 743-5086; 24 hour hotline 1-800-559-2927

AA MEETINGS

Bethel Freedom Group's Big Book Meeting Sundays at 6pm at the United Methodist Church, Main Street.

Bethel Freedom Group's Closed Women's Speaker/Discussion Meeting. Tuesdays at 6:30 at the United Methodist Church, Main Street.

Bethel Freedom Group's Step Meeting. Fridays at 6pm at Bethel United Methodist Church.

Al-Anon Meeting Mondays at 8pm at the Oxford Advent Christian Church (use the north side entrance of the church)

ALCOHOL & DRUG COUNSELING

Alcohol and drug counseling. Saturdays at Bethel Counseling Center, 16 Parkway (Professional Building). Tom Kelly, LADC, 357-7354

EXCHANGES

District Exchange Community Thrift Shop accepts donations of in-season clothing in clean, wearable condition only. Drop-off hours and shopping: Monday 1-4pm, Thursday 4-6pm and Saturday, 10am-12pm.

The Woodstock Seventh Day Adventist Church Community Service Center announces that individuals or families requiring assistance with food needs in the South Woodstock, Bryant Pond, West Paris and Sumner areas are invited to call 674-2566, 674-2663, or 665-2226 to learn more details.

MS SUPPORT GROUP

Meets the first Friday of the month from 1-2:30pm at the West Parish Congregational Church, next to Gould Academy. For more information, call Gale Tout at 836-2900.

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

Meets Tuesday in the conference room at the Mexico Congregational UCC ("The Green Church"), 153

Main Street, Mexico. Everything spoken and heard here is confidential. Anyone trying to cope with the loss of a loved one is welcome. FMI call Sue Byam at 364-8185

MENTAL ILLNESS SUPPORT GROUP

Beacon House Social Club, 150 Congress Street, Rumford, a drop-in social club for adults suffering with mental, emotional, or physical illness, provides support, relaxation, and socialization. Monday 1 to 5pm; Tuesday 9am-2pm; Wednesday 9am-8pm; Wednesday 3-8pm; Friday 2-7pm; Saturday 11am-4pm. Oxford County Mental Health Services, support for adults and children with mental illness, same location, second floor, open Monday-Friday 8am-4pm. For more information, call 364-3549 or (800) 335-9999, or in off-hours 928-3222.

POST PARTUM SUPPORT GROUP

"Meet the Midwives" meets from 5-6:30 every first Tuesday of the month, and the Post Partum Support Group meets every fourth Wednesday of the month from 6:30-7:30. The meetings take place at Blue Moon Midwives, 176 Main Street, Norway, directly across from Stephen's Memorial Hospital. For more information, call 207-739-2800 or visit www.bluemoonmidwives.com

REACH

Rape Education and Crisis Hotline 1-800-871-7741. Sexual assault/sexual abuse hotline, same number. Support groups and awareness education, past or present victims of abuse.

VETERANS' SERVICES (STATE/VA BENEFITS)

Maine Veterans Home, S. Paris, first and third Wednesday each month, 9-12 noon (743-6300); Rumford Employ. Sec. Bldg. (364-3718), second and fourth Thursday 9-12 noon; Lewiston (795-4590), 29 Westminster St., 7:30am to 4pm, Monday thru Friday, Location: Monday-Sunday School 2:45-4:15pm. Tel. 392-4841.

ALBANY

Congregational Church - Hunts Corner, 10 a.m. Sunday worship and Sunday School at 9:30am; Pastor Eddie Gammon. Bible Study 6:30 Thursdays at the home of Fernand Corriveau until Easter.

ANDOVER

First Congregational Church Pastor Jane Rich. Sunday morning worship 10 a.m. followed by coffee fellowship. Tuesday - Sunday School 3:45-5. All are welcome. FMI - 392-3761.

Calvary Bible Church - Pastor John O'Keefe. Morning worship at 10:45 noon, Sunday School, 9:30-10:30. Wednesday bible study and prayer meeting 6:30 p.m., Rt. 5, S. Andover. 392-1121.

BETHEL

Bethel Alliance Church - Pastor Kevin Bellinger (824-2289). Sundays: Sunday School for adults and children at 9am; Morning worship service at 10am; Kidz Klub (4th-5th grade) and Youth Group (6th-12th grade) at 5:30pm; Evening service at 6pm Wednesdays; Prayer fellowship at 7pm.

Church of the Nazarene - Pastor Chuck Mason, 9:30 a.m. Sunday School. 10:30 a.m. morning worship. 6 p.m. evening service. Wednesday evening prayer service, 7pm. 824-4028 (voice mail) or 824-7289 FMI.

West Parish Congregational - Rev. Virginia Rickman. 10 a.m. worship, child care available. Prayer, Tuesday, 8 a.m. FMI call 824-0550.

Our Lady of the Snows - Mass - Saturday, 4:30 p.m. Pastor: Rev. Gerald A. Levesque. 743-2606

United Methodist - Geoffrey Gross, Pastor. 10:30 a.m. Sunday worship. Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.

West Bethel Union - a.m. worship and 9 a.m. Sunday School. For information, call 836-2844 or 836-2882. Rev. Earl H. Bell.

Pleasant Valley Bible - Pastor Aaron McNally. 9 a.m. Sunday school. 10 a.m. worship. Awana Clubs. FMI 836-3006 or 824-2037.

Episcopal House Church - Holy communion service the third or fourth Sunday of every month at 4 p.m. at 38 Chapman Street. For further information, call the Reverend Gwyneth Bohr at 824-2913.

Church of Christ - at home of Keith Hamel. Minister, 507 Walker's Mills Road (Route 26), Bethel. Worship at 9 a.m. Sunday, 824-3577 FMI.

Seventh Day Adventist Fellowship: Meets at the Nazarene Church on Saturdays, on Church Street in Bethel. For more info, call 824-8939.

EAST STONEHAM

Oxford County United Parish - North Waterford Congregational Church & Stoneham Congregational Church - Sunday worship services 10 a.m. at North Waterford through winter. Five Kezars Road, off Rt 35 & 37, opposite Melby's Market. Rev. George Frobig, 693-6461.

GORHAM, NH

Assembly of God - Pastor Paul Leving. Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Sunday service 10:30 a.m., Sunday evening service 7 p.m., Wednesday Bible Study 7 p.m. FMI 603-466-2851.

HARRISON

Bolster's Mills United Methodist Church - Bolster's Mills Road, Harrison, Maine. Rev. Walter R. Brown, Pastor. Sunday worship at 8:45 a.m., Church school 10:15 a.m. for kids kindergarten - grade 12. Call 583-9024 or 998-7040 for more info.

LOCKE MILLS

Locke Mills Union - Rev. Frank Haines Sunday morning service will begin at 9 a.m.

MEXICO

Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints - 265 Main Street. Worship service Sundays at 10am. Pres. Peter Beckel. 364-5881.

NEWRY

Newry Community Church - Sunday worship service 9 a.m. Rodney H. Hanscom, pastor. (Services in the church will resume in April).

Sunday River Christian Ministry - Rev. Don Coverdale. On-mountain interdenominational worship service held every Sunday during ski season. New Year's day service will begin at 10:30 in the upper room of the River House in the South Ridge area. Come as you are, for service of peace, prayer and praise. 824-5896.

NORWAY/PARIS

Christian Science Church - Sunday service 10 a.m., Wed. Testimony service 7:30 p.m., 440 Main Street, Norway. Call 824-0999 for info or ride.

Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church - Route 117N, S. Paris. Pastor Tom Teichmann. Sunday morning service 10:15 a.m. with coffee fellowship immediately after. Sunday School at 9 a.m.

North Paris Federation - Morse Hill Road, North Paris. Sunday Service 8 a.m. Pastor Bruce Tyner. 674-2968. Singers perform third Sunday each month alternating with West Paris Baptist Church at 7 p.m.

Oxford Hills Friends (Quakers) - Sunday worship 9:30 a.m. at HOPE R play Center, High Street, S. Paris across the park from the Post Office. Call Ursula Brandon at 665-2880 or Sue Reilly at 966-2012 for more information.

Christ Episcopal Church - 35 Paris St. Sunday services at 8 a.m. and 10 a.m.; Sunday School at 9:45 a.m.; Healing service with communion 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday. Rev. Anne Stanley. Call 743-6782 for more information.

First Baptist Church of Paris - On the Common at the top of Paris Hill. 10:30 a.m. worship service. Sunday School at 9:30 a.m. Coffee hour will follow the service. Fellowship lunch will be held the first Sunday of each month following worship. Pastor Ron Blake.

St. Catherine's: Saturday 6 p.m. Vigile Mass; Sunday 8:30 a.m. Mass.

Unitarian Universalist Church of Norway - 11am worship. (Sept. - June) Child care is provided. Religious education classes 11am-12:15pm. FMI 743-2828.

OXFORD

St. Mary's - Saturday 4 p.m. Vigile Mass.

Our Lady of Ransom: Sunday 10:30 a.m. Mass.

RUMFORD St. Barnabus Episcopal Church - Mass, 9:30 a.m. Rev. Canon Henry Male, Jr. Special holidays will be announced. Stone church at the rotary.

RUMFORD CENTER Praise Assembly of God - Pastor Justin Thacker. Sunday School 9:00 a.m., Sunday worship service at 10:00 a.m. Sunday prayer meeting at 6:00 p.m. Wednesday night bible study at 7:00 p.m. East Andover Rd. For more information, call 364-3856.

RUMFORD POINT Rumford Point Church - Sunday service, Sunday School, 10:30 a.m. Pastor Frank Haines.

SUMNER East Sumner Congregational - Linda Kimball, pastor. Sunday service, 9 a.m.

WEST PARIS Unitarian Universalist Church of West Paris - 9 a.m. worship 674-2365.

West Paris Baptist - Sunday Worship 9:15 a.m. Bruce Tyner, Pastor. Sunday School Preschool thru kindergarten 9:45am. Sunday School Grades 1-6, 10:25am. Sunday evening worship 7:00 p.m.; Monday Diaconette meeting first Monday of the month. Tuesday ladies fellowship meets the fourth Tuesday of every month. Tea & Toys Time Bi-Weekly 8:30-11:30am, Adult Choir Wednesday evenings, Wednesday Bible Study and Prayer 7pm, church business meetings the third Wednesday of the month.

West Paris Congregational Church - Linda Kimball, pastor. Sunday Worship 11 a.m.; Sunday School 10 a.m.

WOODSTOCK Bryant Pond Baptist - Pastor Lawrence Hodgkins. Sundays: Sunday School 9:15 a.m.; Adult Bible Fellowship 9:15 a.m.; Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.; Evening Service 6:00 p.m.; Wednesdays: Kid's hour 6:30 p.m.; Prayer meeting & bible study 6:30 p.m.

Woodstock Seventh day Adventist - Pastor Richard Wright (207-797-9678), Saturday: 9:20 a.m. Sabbath school. 11 a.m. worship service.

Pinhook Meeting House (Rt. 232, North Woodstock) - Hymn Sing, last Friday of each month, 7 p.m. All welcome.

Mahoosuc Mountain Friends - a worship group meeting in the unprogrammed tradition of Friends (Quakers) - Sundays, 9:30 a.m. at the Whitman Memorial Library, Bryant Pond. Newcomers welcome. First Day School activities provided for children. Call Arla Patch 665-2224 FMI.

Library Hours

Andover Library: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday, 1-4:30pm; Thursday 6-8pm. Tel: 392-4841

Bethel Library: Monday 9am-1pm; Tuesday, 1-5pm; Wednesday 1-8pm; Thursday & Friday 1-5pm; Saturday, 9-1pm. Story Hour Mondays, 10-11am October to May. Michelle Conroy, Librarian. 824-2520.

Crescent Park Elementary School: Open every Wednesday evening from 6-8pm to the public.

Hamlin Memorial Library, Paris Hill: Tuesday-Friday 11:30-5:30; Saturday 10-2; Wednesday evening, 7-9pm. Tel. 743-2980

Whitman Memorial Library, Bryant Pond: Tel. 665-2505. Tuesday 1:30-5pm; Thursday 1:30-7pm.

West Paris Library, West Paris: Monday 1:30-5pm; Wednesday 1:30-7pm; Friday 1:30-5pm. 674-2004

Gardner Roberts Memorial Library, Hanover: Wednesday, 10-12.

Upton Library: Saturdays 9-11am

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2	PEG - Public Access	13	CBS - WGME	24	Fox Sports Net	35	Fox News	47	USA	57	Travel Channel	66	A&C Family
3	UPN - WPME	14	QVC	25	ESPN	36	CNN Cable News Network	48	TBS	58	EWTN - Eternal Word Television Network	67	Nickelodeon
4	FOX - WFPO	15	Home Shopping Network	26	ESPN 2	37	Headline News	49	Oxygen	59	Hallmark	68	Disney Channel
5	Local Access	16	PEG - Educational	27	Great American Country	39	CNBC	50	A&E - Arts & Entertainment	60	TBN - Trinity Broadcast Network	69	Animal Planet
6	NBC - WCSH	17	Shop NBC	28	MTV - Music Television	40	MSNBC	51	AMC - American Movie Classics	70	Sci-Fi Channel	71	TV5 - French Television
7	PEG - Educational	18	TV Guide Channel	29	VH1	41	Court TV	52	Ovation - Fine Arts TV	61	The History Channel	72	PIN
8	ABC - WMTW	19	C-Span	30	Lifetime - TV for Women	42	TCM - Turner Classic Movies	53	Bravo	62	TLC - The Learning Channel	73	Inspirational TV Network
9	ADELPHIA 9	20	C-Span 2	31	Spike TV - TV for Men	43	Movie Plex	54	E!	63	Discovery Channel	74	Cartoon Network
10	MPBN - WCCB	21	PAX TV	32	Country Music Television	44	TNT - Turner Network TV	55	HGTV - Home & Garden	64	TV Land		
11	PBS - WENH	23	NESN - New England Sports Net	33	Weather Channel	45	Comedy Central	56	Food Network	65	BET - Black Entertainment TV		
12	WB - WPXT			34	NECN - NE Cable News	46	FX Network						

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(3)	Fortune	Jeopardy!	Hates Chris	Love, Inc.	Eve	Cuts	Dr. Phil	South Park	South Park	
(32)	Smallville		Movie: "Jack Frost"				Whose?	Whose?	The 700 Club	
6	207 Mag	Seinfeld	Joey		Will-Grace	Will-Grace	ER	News		
8	Fortune	Jeopardy!	ABC Extreme Bloopers		Primetime		Primetime	News		
10	News-Lehrer		Old House	Made In	Antiques Roadshow		Nova	Charlie Rose		
(22)	College Football		College Football: Pacific Life Holiday Bowl – Oklahoma vs. Oregon							SportsCtr.
(34)	Movie: "The World Is Not Enough" Cont'd				Movie: "The Spy Who Loved Me"					
13	Ent. Tonight	The Insider	Criminal Minds		CSI: Crime Scn		Without a Trace		News	
(41)	Tailgate	Football	Monte Carlo Millions		Best Damn Sports Show		Sports	College Basketball: Stanford at UCLA		
(15)	Real Sports		Inside the NFL		Rome		Rome	Cathouse: The Series		
(17)	So Raven	So Raven	Movie: "The Lizzie McGuire Movie"				Suite Life	Suite Life	So Raven	
(18)	Movie: "Midnight in the Garden of Good and Evil"					Movie: "Assault on Precinct 13"				
(20)	Cam Neely Special		Outdoors	Outdoors	NE Journal	The RIDE	SportsDesk	Golf	ESPNs	
(44)	Movie: "Home for the Holidays"				"Mary Higgins Clark's Loves Music, Loves to Dance"			Will-Grace	Will-Grace	
(5)	Raymond	Raymond	Friends	Friends	Movie: "Ace Ventura: When Nature Calls"			Ace Ventura		
(24)	Oddparents	Neutron	SpongeBob	ChalkZone	Full House	Fresh Fr.	Cosby	Cosby	Cosby	
(25)	"Death Hunt" Cont'd		Movie: "Death Wish"							
(26)	Law & Order: SVU		Law Order: CI		Law Order: CI		Law Order: CI		Law Order: CI	
(27)	San Francisco Vice		The First 48		The First 48		The First 48		Crossing Jordan	
(12)	Movie: "Planes, Trains and Automobiles"						WGN News at Nine		Sex & City	
(39)	The Situation Room		Paula Zahn Now		Larry King Live		Anderson Cooper 360			

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(3)	Fortune	Jeopardy!	WWE Friday Night SmackDown!				Dr. Phil		South Park	South Park		
(32)	Smallville		Santa Is Coming to Town		Rudolph's-New Year		Whose?	Whose?	The 700 Club			
6	207 Mag	Seinfeld	Dateline NBC				Law Order: CI		News			
8	Fortune	Jeopardy!	Supernanny		Hope	Properties	20/20		News			
10	News-Lehrer		Wash Wk	Maine.	Keeping Up	Time Goes	Served	NOW	Charlie Rose			
(22)	Gameday	College Football: Chick-Fil-A Peach Bowl -- LSU vs. Miami							SportsCenter			
(34)	Movie: "You Only Live Twice" Cont'd				Movie: "Dr. No"				For You			
13	Ent. Tonight	The Insider	Ghost Whisperer		Close to Home		NUMB3RS		News			
(41)	Tailgate	Football	Poker Superstars		Sports	Celtics	NBA Basketball: Celtics at Kings					
(15)	Inside the NFL		Rome		Rome		Rome		Movie: "Carillo's Way"			
(17)	Suite Life	So Raven	Movie: "The Princess Diaries"					Suite Life	So Raven	So Raven		
(18)	"The Matrix Revolutions"		Movie: "Taxi"				Movie: "Resident Evil: Apocalypse"					
(20)	Face Off	NHL Hockey: Boston Bruins at Tampa Bay Lightning					Overtime	SportsDesk	Breakaway	ESPNNews		
(44)	Movie: "Too Young to Be a Dad"				Movie: "Fathers and Sons"			Will-Grace	How Clean			
(5)	Raymond	Raymond	Friends	Friends	Raymond	Raymond	Movie: "Austin Powers: The Spy Who Shagged Me"					
(24)	SpongeBob	Catscratch	Avatar	Phantom	Nicktoon	Nicktoon	Cosby	Cosby	Cosby	Cosby		
(25)	"Death Wish II" Cont'd		Movie: "The Usual Suspects"				Movies	Movies 101	Movie: "Arachnophobia"			
(26)	Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU			
(27)	American Justice		Biography		Movie: "Lake Placid"				Random 1			
(12)	Funniest Home Videos					Movie: "Heaven Can Wait"		WGN News at Nine		Sex & City		
(39)	The Situation Room		Paula Zahn Now		Larry King Live		Anderson Cooper 360					

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(3)	Fortune	Jeopardy!	3 Stooges	3 Stooges	3 Stooges	3 Stooges	3 Stooges	3 Stooges	3 Stooges	3 Stooges		
(32)	"Field of Dreams" Cont'd		Movie: "A League of Their Own"						Movie: "Splash"			
6	Maine	Seinfeld	Movie: "A Knight's Tale"						News	New Years		
8	Fortune	Jeopardy!	Movie: "Snow Dogs"				New Year's Rockin' Eve		News			
10	Made In	Chronicles	Live From Lincoln Center				Broadway's Best at Pops		Red Green	Red Green		
(22)	Operation	NFL	NFL Football: New York Giants at Oakland Raiders						ESPN New Year's Eve			
(34)	UFC Unleashed		TNA iMPACT!		UFC: Best of 2005							
13	NFL Football		Cold Case		Without a Trace		48 Hours Mystery		News	Ent. Tonight		
(41)	Magic vs. Bird		PRIDE Fighting		NBA Action	NBA Basketball: Boston Celtics at Los Angeles Clippers						
(15)	Anacondas: Hunt		Movie: "Alexander"							Robert Klein: Amorous		
(17)	Totally Suite New Year's Eve Cont'd											
(18)	Last Sam	Movie: "Spider-Man 2"					Movie: "Kinsey"					
(20)	NESN Retro		NESN Retro		Cam Neely Special		SportsDesk	Breakaway	SportsDesk	ESPNNews		
(44)	"Dawn Anna" Cont'd		Movie: "Widow on the Hill"				Movie: "Murder in the Hamptons"					
(5)	Commercials		Movie: "Tommy Boy"				Movie: "Orange County"					
(24)	The Fairly OddParents			Movie: "Scooby-Doo"		SpongeBob	Cosby	Cosby	Cosby	Cosby		
(25)	Movie: "The Ref" Cont'd		Movie: "The Great Outdoors"			Movie: "The Blues Brothers"						
(26)	Law Order: CI		Law Order: CI		Law Order: CI		Law Order: CI		Law Order: CI			
(27)	24		24		24		24		24			
(12)	NBA Basketball: Phoenix Suns at Chicago Bulls			WGN News		Movie: "The Godfather"						
(39)	On the Story		CNN Presents		Larry King Live		CNN Saturday Night		CNN Presents			

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(3)	70s Show	70s Show	CSI: Crime Scn		CSI: Crime Scn		Red Sox	Red Sox	McCarver	Exposure		
(32)	Movie: "Half a Dozen Babies"				Movie: "Ghost"					Videos		
6	Dateline NBC		Law Order: CI		Law Order: CI		Crossing Jordan		News	Sports		
(8)	Funniest Home Videos		Makeover: Home		Desperate Housewives		In Justice		News	Smallville		
(10)	Homeland: Four Portraits				My Shakespeare: Romeo and Juliet				Business	To Contrary		
(22)	SportsCtr.		NFL Primetime		NFL Football: St. Louis Rams at Dallas Cowboys					SportsCtr.		
(34)	"Death Warrant" Cont'd		Movie: "U.S. Marshals"						Movie: "U.S. Marshals"			
(13)	60 Minutes		Cold Case		Movie: "Surrender Dorothy"				News	Friends		
(41)	101 Great Knockouts		101 Great Knockouts		Story-Clemente		Sports List	Poker	Monte Carlo Millions			
(15)	Movie: "Ray" Cont'd				The Sopranos		Deadwood		Phantom-Opera			
(17)	Suite Life	Suite Life	Suite Life	Suite Life	Suite Life	Suite Life	Suite Life	Suite Life	Suite Life	Suite Life		
(18)	"Collateral" Movie: "Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban"						Movie: "50 First Dates"					
(20)	SportsDesk	Golf	Outdoors	Outdoors	Cam Neely Special			SportsDesk	Northeast	Breakaway		
(44)	Movie: "Disappearing Acts" Cont'd				Movie: "Wild Iris"				Movie: "Sugartime"			
(5)	"The Wedding Singer"		Movie: "Planes, Trains and Automobiles"						Movie: "Planes, Trains and Automobiles"			
(24)	School	Unfabulous	Zoey 101	Romeo!	Full House	Fresh Pr.	Fatherhood	Cosby	Cosby	Cosby		
(25)	"The Green Berets"				Movie: "For a Few Dollars More"				Movie: "Uncommon Valor"			
(26)	Monk		Monk		Monk		Monk		Monk			
(27)	24		24		The First 48		Intervention		CSI: Miami			
(12)	Maximum Exposure		24		24		WGN News	Replay	Sex & City			
(39)	CNN Live Sunday Cont'd		CNN Presents		Larry King Live		CNN Sunday Night		CNN Presents			

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(3)	Fortuna	Jeopardy!	One	All of Us	Girlfriends	Half & Half	Dr. Phil	South Park		
(32)	Wildfire		Wildfire		Wildfire	Whose?	Whose?	The 700 Club		
6	207 Mag	Seinfeld	Surface		Las Vegas		Medium	News		
8	College Football: Fiesta Bowl			College Football: Nokia Sugar Bowl – Georgia vs. West Virginia						
10	News-Lehrer		Antiques Roadshow		American Experience			Rose		
(22)	Figure Skating: Cup of China Cont'd				Figure Skating: Cup of Russia					
(34)	CSI: Crime Scn		CSI: Crime Scn		CSI: Crime Scn		Most Amazing Videos			
18	Ent. Tonight	The Insider	King	How I Met	Two Men	Practice	CSI: Miami	News		
(41)	Sports	Magic vs. Bird		Celtics	NBA Basketball: Boston Celtics at Denver Nuggets			Postgame		
(15)	"Son of the Mask" Cont'd			Movie: "Cheaper by the Dozen"		Movie: "Alexander"				
(17)	So Raven	So Raven	Movie: "The Country Bears"			Naturally	Sister, Sis.	So Raven		
(18)	Movie: "Envy" Cont'd		Movie: "Kinsey"			Movie: "The Hunt for Red October"				
(20)	College Basketball: Boston University at Holy Cross			Outdoors	Outdoors	SportsDesk	Hoops TV	SportsDesk		
(44)	Movie: "A Friendship to Die For"			Movie: "Maid of Honor"			Will-Grace	Will-Grace		
(5)	Raymond	Raymond	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Family Guy	Family Guy		
(24)	Opponents	Neutron	SpongeBob	Zoey 101	Full House	Fresh Pr.	Roseanne	Roseanne		
(25)	"Chain Reaction" Cont'd		Movie: "Narc"			Movie: "Blood Sport"				
(26)	Law & Order: SVU		Law Order: CI		WWE Monday Night Raw		Law Order: CI			
(27)	Inked	Inked	Flip This House		Intervention	Rollergirls		Inked		
(21)	Funniest Home Videos		Videos	NBA Basketball: Milwaukee Bucks at Chicago Bulls				WGN News		
(39)	The Situation Room		Paula Zahn Now	Larry King Live		Anderson Cooper 360		Becker		

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(3)	Fortune	Jeopardy!	Movie: "Devil's Pond"				Dr. Phil		South Park	South Park		
(32)	Smallville		Movie: "Agent Cody Banks"				Whose?	Whose?	The 700 Club			
6	20/7 Mag	Seinfeld	Fear Factor		Scrubs	Scrubs	Law & Order: SVU		News			
8	Fortune	Jeopardy!	College Football: FedEx Orange Bowl -- Florida State vs. Penn State							News		
10	News-Lehrer		Nova		Frontline		Nature		Charlie Rose			
(4)	College Gameday		Kickboxing	Kickboxing	Kickboxing	Karate	Karate	Karate	Karate	Karate		
(34)	CSI: Crime Scn		CSI: Crime Scn		Movie: "Above the Law"				Most Amazing Videos			
13	Ent. Tonight	The Insider	NCIS		NCIS		48 Hours: Mystery		News			
(41)	Sports	Football	Monte Carlo Millions		Best Damn Sports Show		Sports	Sports	Boxing: Broadway			
(15)	"First Daughter" Cont'd		Real Sports		New World		Movie: "Man on Fire"					
(17)	So Raven	So Raven	Movie: "Life-Size"				Dragon	Sister, Sis,	So Raven	So Raven		
(18)	"Fat Albert" Cont'd		Movie: "White Noise"				Movie: "Alien vs. Predator"					
(20)	College Basketball: UMass at BC				College Basketball: East Carolina at Wake Forest				SportsDesk	ACC		
(44)	Movie: "A Crime of Passion"				Movie: "The Girl Next Door"				Will-Grace	Will-Grace		
(5)	Raymond	Raymond	Friends	Friends	Sex & City	Sex & City	Daisy	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	City Slickrs		
(24)	Oddparents	Neutron	SpongeBob	School	Full House	Fatherhood	Roseanne	Roseanne	Roseanne	Cosby		
(25)	"Say Anything..." Cont'd		Movie: "How Stella Got Her Groove Back"					Movie: "Hanging Up"				
(26)	Law & Order: SVU		Law Order: CI		Movie: "John Grisham's The Rainmaker"							
(27)	Cold Case Files		Rampage Killers: Signs		Dog		Rollergirls		Crossing Jordan			
(12)	Funniest Home Videos		Da Vinci's Inquest		Da Vinci's Inquest		WGN News at Nine		Sex & City	Becker		
(39)	The Situation Room		Paula Zahn Now		Larry King Live		Anderson Cooper 360					

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(3)	Fortune	Jeopardy!	Eve	Love, Inc.	Veronica Mars		Dr. Phil		South Park	South Park
(32)	Smallville		Movie: "Dr. Dolittle"				Whose?	Whose?	The 700 Club	
6	207 Mag	Seinfeld	The Biggest Loser: Special Edition				Law & Order		News	
8	Fortune	Jeopardy!	College Football: Rose Bowl – Texas vs. USC							News
10	News-Lehrer		Walking the Bible	Movie: "Yesterday"					Charlie Rose	
(22)	College Gameday		Figure Skating	Figure Skating: Grand Prix Final						
(34)	CSI: Crime Scn		CSI: Crime Scn	Movie: "U.S. Marshals"						
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(41)	Celtics	NBA Basketball: Charlotte Bobcats at Boston Celtics					Sports	Sports	Best Damn Sports Show	
(15)	Movie: "Ray"						Inside the NFL		The Sopranos	
(3)	No Raven	No Raven	Movie: "My Date With the President's Daughter"				Lie Derek	Sister, Sis.	No Raven	No Raven
(18)	"Vanishing Point" Cont'd		Movie: "City by the Sea"				Movie: "Kinsey"			
(20)	College Basketball		Red Sox	Breakaway	SportsPlus	Red Sox	SportsDesk	SportsPlus	SportsDesk	Red Sox
(44)	Movie: "Officer Down"				Movie: "Black and Blue"				Will-Grace	Will-Grace
(5)	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Sex & City	Sex & City	Daisy	Divine
(24)	Oddparents	Neutron	SpongeBob	Unfabulous	Full House	Fresh Fr.	Roseanne	Roseanne	Roseanne	Cosby
(25)	How Stella Got		Movie: "Kindergarten Cop"				Movie: "For Love or Money"			
(26)	Law & Order: SVU		Law Order: CI		Law Order: CI		Law Order: CI		Law Order: CI	
(27)	American Justice		Dog	Dog	Inked	Inked	Criss Angel	Criss Angel	Crossing Jordan	
(17)	Funnies Home Videos		Becker	Becker	Home Imp.	Home Imp.	WGN News at Nine		Sex & City	Becker
(39)	The Situation Room		Paula Zahn Now		Larry King Live		Anderson Cooper 360			

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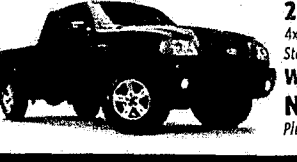
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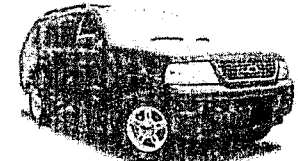
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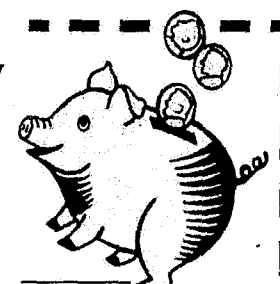
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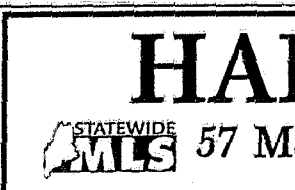
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Wooded 3.5 acre lot located on Rt. 26. This property offers 436 ft. of road frontage. Near ski resorts, lakes and local fresh water spring. Very nice acreage. Priced at \$44,900



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Where do you start when you are ready to buy a home? Before you begin looking for a home, you have to make some decisions. You need to decide what is important to you when purchasing your home. Before starting out on your home search it is a good idea to sit down and develop a list of what is important and what would you like in your new home. Your list could include schools, neighborhood, amenities, number of bedrooms, number of baths, a basement, a separate dining room, 2-story family room or foyer, one level ranch plan, master bedroom on the main level, special financing, seller willing to cover closing costs and the list goes on and on.

An experienced buyer real estate agent can help you through the process. There is no such thing as a perfect house, therefore once you have developed your list you should begin to prioritize it. You can prioritize into, "must have", "should have" and "would be nice to have". By having a clear understanding what you want in your new home, and the priority of those items, you will be in a much better position to decide whether you want to put an offer on a house you see and like. It is also a good idea to consider whether you want to purchase a new or pre-owned home.

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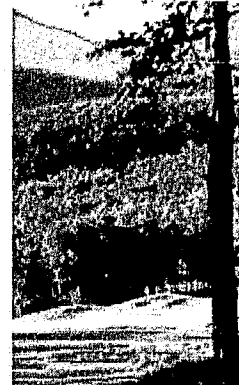
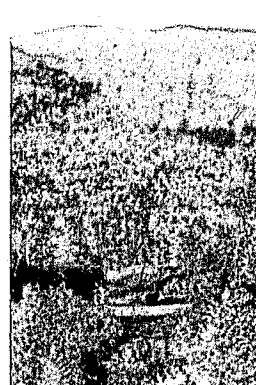
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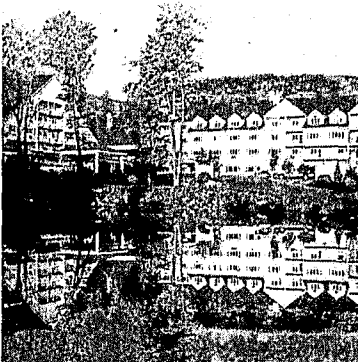
LAND



A limited number of house lots at the Sunday River Golf Club in the Mahoosuc Glen development are still available. These spectacular homesites offer sweeping vistas over the course and out into the Sunday River valley. This is a unique opportunity to build a true four-season vacation home with immediate access to some of the best skiing and golf in New England. To arrange a showing or get more information before the few remaining lots are sold, contact us as soon as possible at 207-824-5051 or srrealty@sundayriver.com, or stop by our office. Priced from \$195,000 to \$299,000.



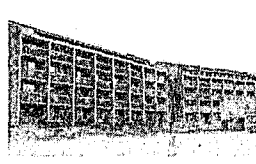
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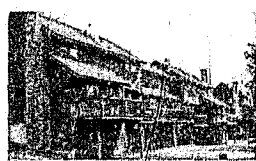
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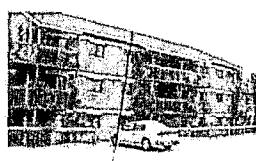
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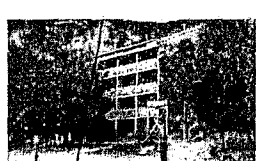
Brookside I & II
 II A-203 Studio/1 Bth \$87,900
 II A-205 Studio/1 Bth \$87,900
 II A-207 Studio/1 Bth \$87,900
 II B-115 1 Bdrm/1 Bth \$120,000
 II B-203 Studio/1 Bth SOLD
 II B-304 1 Bdrm/1 Bth SOLD



South Ridge
 F-6 3 Bdrm/1.5 Bth \$319,000
 J-6 3 Bdrm/2 Baths SOLD



White Cap
 B-405 1 Bdrm/1 Bth SOLD
 B-412 1 Bdrm/1 Bth SOLD
 A-406 1 Bdrm/1 Bth SOLD



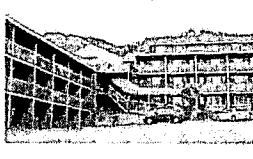
Cascades
 A-24 1 Bdrm/1 Bth \$150,000
 B-15 1 Bdrm/1 Bth SOLD
 B-25 1 Bdrm/1 Bth SOLD
 C-11 1 Bdrm/1 Bth SOLD



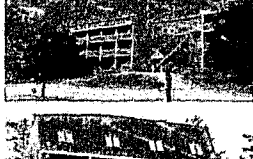
Locke Mountain
 A-2 3 Bdrm/3.5 Bth SOLD
 I-1 SOLD
 E-2 SOLD



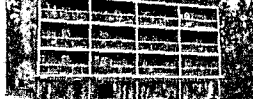
North Peak
 NPI-208 2 Bdrm/1 Bth \$205,000
 NPII-303 2 Bdrm/1 Bth \$210,000
 NPII-109 2 Bdrm/1 Bth \$212,900
 NPII-207 2 Bdrm/1 Bth \$215,000
 NPII-203 2 Bdrm/1 Bth SOLD
 NPI-105 2 Bdrm/1 Bth SOLD



Fall Line
 E-106 1 Bdrm/1 Bth SOLD
 S-206 1 Bdrm/1 Bth SOLD
 N-105 1 Bdrm/1 Bth SOLD
 N-104 1 Bdrm/1 Bth SOLD
 S-105 1 Bdrm/1 Bth SOLD
 N-111 1 Bdrm/1 Bth SOLD



Sunrise
 C-105 1 Bdrm/1 Bth \$150,000
 C-106 1 Bdrm/1 Bth SOLD
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Merrill Brook
 III-B 1 Bdrm/1 Bth \$175,000

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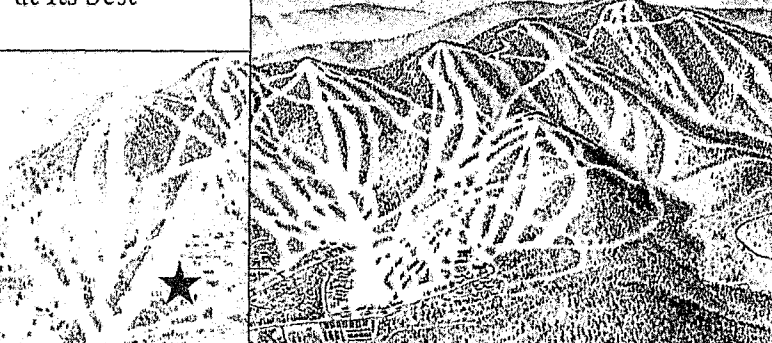
NEW LISTING!



Powder Ridge, Newry: "You're not in Kansas anymore" becomes obvious from the moment you drive onto this beautiful property. Spectacular custom built log home on a quiet cul-de-sac, w/panoramic views of Sunday River. Hot tub, LR, deck, master BR w/fireplace, game room, & guest rooms. This home offers it all: stone fireplaces, 10' ceilings, media room, large fully equipped exercise room, professional kitchen, poolroom w/championship table, game room w/wet bar, radiant heat & three car heated garage. Offers proximity to great skiing, 18 hole championship golfing, swimming, fly fishing & a myriad of other area amenities & activities, this is the home for that discerning buyer looking for a 4-season lodge in the mountains of Maine. Call for More Details.

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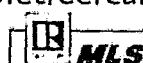
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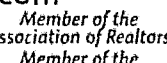
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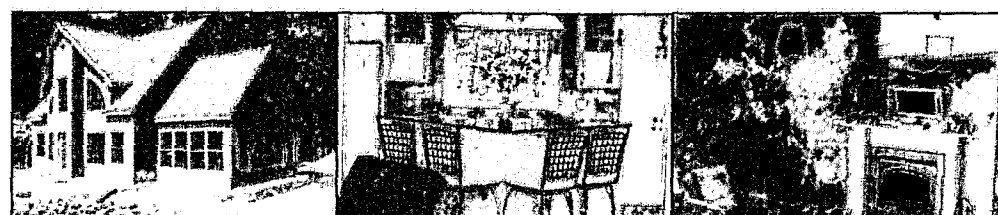
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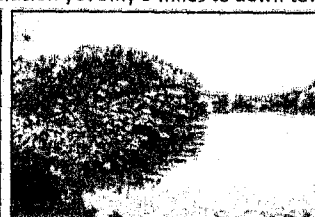
Exquisitely designed and built home with fantastic views. Wonderful open concept with abundance of windows to grant you southerly views of Lake Christopher and so much more from every room. Beautiful tiled floors with radiant heat, granite counter tops and so much more. The septic system is for a 3 bedroom home. New Listing \$329,900



Log home with 43 acres. Spacious, open floor plan on a 32' x 44' foundation. 2 bedrooms with 3 additional rooms in finished, walk-out, daylight basement. Large master bedroom with private deck and luxurious full bath. 1st floor laundry in 1/2 bath. Located in low tax Albany. Snow mobile trails abound! Public boat ramp on Songo Pond just down the road. Privacy and seclusion yet only 5 miles to downtown Bethel. New Listing \$299,000



Bethel-17 Acres of Androscoggin Waterfront with Views- Great location just 8 miles from Bethel Village. This former mill is located just off of RT 2 in West Bethel. Beautiful waterfront with mountain views. This property does about the West Bethel Boat launch. Open up a business or develop the water frontage- it's all up to you. Don't let this opportunity pass you by. \$299,000



Great location to put your get-a-way or home! Close to Mt. Abram and surrounding activities. 8 acres with stream at back of property. \$57,000



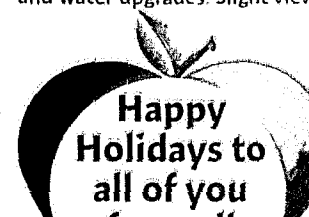
Lot, 16 Grover Hill, Bethel
 Great property located just outside of Bethel Village. Walk to Village and Bethel Inn Golf Course and Resort. Minutes to skiing and surrounding activities. Development potential for 5 Units with sewer and water upgrades. Slight view of Mountains & Golf. \$87,500



Golf Course & Bethel Inn View from property
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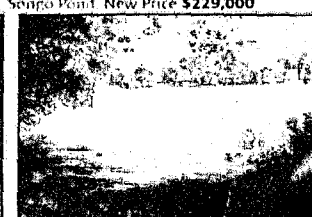
Bethel-Luxury brand new 3 bedroom 2 bath house. This home has a first floor living area that looks out to the back yard. Great location to White Mountain National Forest. Bethel Village, Sunday River and Songo Pond. New Price \$229,000



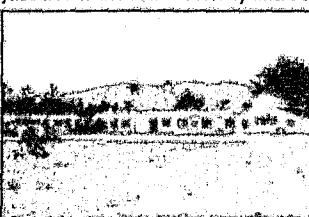
Happy Holidays to all of you from all of us.



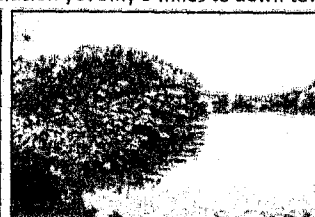
2 BEDROOMS
 Sit on your screened-in porch and gaze out at the great views of mountain and Twitchell Pond. This cozy 2 bedroom cottage has great features. Skylight! Screened in porch, redone floors and it's set back off the road. Walk across 1/2 street to your sandy right-of-way in the pond. New Drilled Well \$159,000



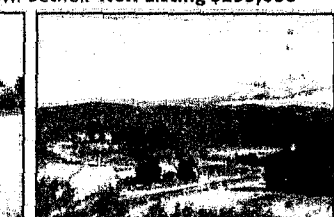
DEEDED RIGHT OF WAY
 Located in Albany on Picnic Hill Road this lot allows you to be in a very quiet setting but only a short drive to Bethel Village. Seasonal Brook with some views! New Price \$49,900



42 Acres of Beautiful Nature- Quiet, serene, wooded parcel with panoramic views of surrounding mountains. Away from it all, yet a short commute to ski and golf resorts. As you walk about the property you have different mountain views. Pick some wild berries as you enjoy what Maine is all about. The Way Life Should Be. New Price \$114,900



105 Acres with Stream- This property is located in Milton Township, rural but not too far from surrounding ski areas. Close proximity to Concord Pond. Nice views with some of nature's creatures like Moose and Deer enjoy this slightly sloped parcel of land. Listen to the water in the stream or the quiet whisper of the wind. Subdivision potential or just own your own big piece of Maine! New Price \$169,900



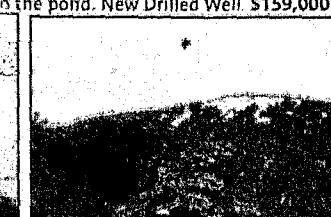
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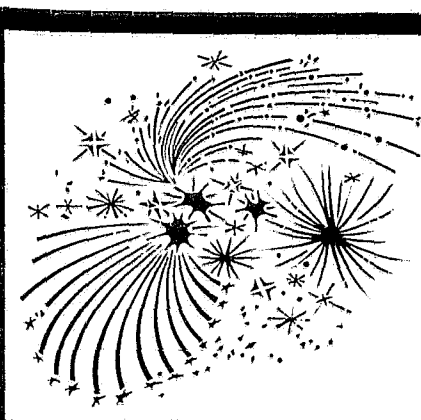
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NORTH ROAD, GILEAD - \$169,000
View Little Bear Mountain from this newly constructed 2005 two bedroom, 1 & 3/4 bath home, situated on a acre of land. Enjoy the beauty of the mountains and the Androscoggin River. Deck along entire front of the home, Master Bedroom has its own separate outside deck. Wood stove hook-up, all new appliances.

ROUTE 26, UPTON - \$158,000
New foundation, roof & well! Many new features already completed, and currently still under renovation, 10 rooms, 7 bedrooms, large barn

PRICE REDUCED!

15 PLEASANT STREET, GREENWOOD - \$128,000
Great starter family home or seasonal getaway. 3 bedroom, 1 bath, gas fireplace, 2 car garage, heated workshop. .61 acres with beautiful mountain views.

176 GORE RD, WOODSTOCK - \$180,000
3 Bedroom/1 Bath - 1.5 Acres - Make this home your own. Close to Bethel Village and Sunday River Ski & Mt Abram Ski areas. Storage/Garage space for 3 vehicles - Barn!

NEW LISTING!

HUTCHINSON POND ROAD, ALBANY TOWNSHIP \$510,000 Waterfront! Beautiful three bedroom two bath fully furnished open concept log Cape situated on Hutchinson Pond with nearly two acres. 200 foot frontage with sandy beach area. Daylight basement, wrap around farmers' porch, radiant floors.



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HICKS LANE, GREENWOOD \$220,000
Imagine serene Maine living at its best on this 88 acre waterfront parcel located on Hicks and Mud Pond with small cabin. Enjoy the natural beauty of the area, numerous outdoor activities, get that "down home" feeling!

CROOKED RIVER CAUSEWAY, ALBANY - \$25,000
Outdoor enthusiast, nature lover, sportsmen. Parcel with Crooked River frontage available in low tax Albany Township. Soils test results available. Fishing, snowmobiling, hunting, hiking, canoeing, enjoy it all!!


LOT #1, HOWARD POND ROAD, HANOVER - \$355,000
140 acres on Mt. Dimmick in the Hanover area. Howard Pond, a deep spring-fed pond is within walking distance of this property. Thousand of acres that border this parcel are in a Land Trust, as do the historic and famous Newry quarries.

LOT #2 HOWARD POND ROAD, HANOVER \$258,500
Mt. Dimmick and the famous and historic Newry Quarries border this 153 acre parcel in the quiet area of Hanover. Howard Pond, a deep, spring-fed pond is within walking distance of this property AND land adjoining this parcel (thousands of acres) are preserved in a Land Trust.


MERRY LANE, OTISFIELD - \$58,000
New septic, well & Double wide pad. The Presidential Range, featuring famed Mount Washington.

CUSHMAN HILL, WOODSTOCK - \$129,900
This property has one of the most Spectacular views in Oxford County. Over 30 Mountain peaks can be seen between Mt Abram to Mt Washington's Presidential Mountain Range and beyond!


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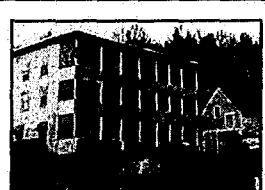
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Gore Rd, Woodstock: This sunny & cheerful 2+BR old home sits on a scenic 11 acre setting with woods, fields, view & a babbling brook! 3BR's, 2 full baths, cathedral ceilings, kitchen w/ island, lots of large windows, a big screened porch, deck, 2 car garage & lots more! You'll be captivated by the beauty of the land and acreage and also by the charm of this new house. Location is easily accessible from major routes and "on the way" to all recreational and ski resorts in the area. Make an appointment today! \$329,000

Mud Pond, Greenwood: Views of Mud Pond from the deck & a nice high, wooded lot make this 3BR, 1 bath home worth a look. Split level house started as a mobile home but you'd never know it! Completely finished basement and other updates. Very convenient location to either the Norway/Pari or Bethel areas - away from it all! near the pond, but still within town distance. Make an appointment today! **REDUCED!** \$99,000!

NEW LISTING!

Twitchell Brook, Greenwood: Year-round camp w/central heating, in a beautiful woods setting with swift moving brook! It's surrounded by nature and away from civilization yet still quickly accessible to town - how can you ask for more? 220 feet of frontage on Twitchell Brook, more - with a bridge to the other side! Perfect for fishing, hunting or just relaxing by the large brook. This property is everything that you want in a Maine four seasons camp! \$139,000

Ski Village, Mt. Abram Skiway: Adorable alpine ski chalet on a full acre corner lot w/incredible mountain views! Main floor has an updated kitchen w/island to family room w/fireplace, living room, bedroom and full bath & laundry. Glass doors in living room overlook a breathtaking 180 degree view. Second floor has 2 more bedrooms, loft office & glass doors to a deck for an even better min. view! Drive up to the circular driveway of this house and make it your new ski home with Mt. Abram around the corner and Sunday River just a few minutes away. \$179,900

LAKEFRONT

North Pond, Greenwood: With the best view in town of the Mt. Abram ski slopes & 25 ft. of picturesque waterfront on North Pond, you'll be captivated by both the inside of this house and its location. Conveniently located just minutes from Bethel & Sunday River w/quick access to Rte. 26 and, from the front deck, take your boat to Round or South Pond! Whether it's boating or fishing in the summer or skiing & snowmobiling in the winter, this adorable, well-decorated house fits the bill year-round. Recent updates include new septic. Come take a look! \$249,000

Round/South Pond, Greenwood: Log-sided camp on 150' of beautiful, quiet waterfront on South Pond. Extremely well-maintained, updated building with a wonderful screened porch for naps overlooking the lake. Knotty pine walls, gleaming wood floors, cheery kitchen and only steps from the water! There's a dock for fishing and a ramp area to launch your boats, lots of parking space, yet nice tall trees for shade. \$250,000

WATERFRONT!

Route 26, Main St., Greenwood: WATERFRONT buildings and land for sale plus an island! Highly visible commercial building, with extensive and insured parking lot, currently leased to a popular restaurant and also currently housing a small manufacturing enterprise. Combined with the elegant 5th residential house, the gorgeous waterfront on Round Pond backs over 1000 feet! And that's not all! Property comes with a small new building, island in North Pond, for an additional \$20 ft. of water frontage! Lots of potential for either a successful business plus residential blueprint or recreation. Let us show you the beautiful shoreline. Ask us now about the possibilities and start planning! \$399,000

UNDER CONTRACT!

Rte. 26/Main St., Bryant Pond: Commercial building in an ideal location on busy Rte. 26 just waiting for your business plan. Location is PRIME with broad driveway site distance, unlimited parking & expansion possibilities on 2 full acres. Come look at the unique circular beamed ceiling and the round open spaces w/fantastic 2 level mountain views & start planning. This building also has residential possibility, so call us for info today! **REDUCED!** \$149,000

Nearing Completion!

Birch Woods, Bethel: The house of your dreams is currently under construction in the prettiest & best subdivision between Bethel & Sunday River. Over 2000 sq. ft. of beautiful living space w/great room, fireplace, 4-season porch, large game room, 4BR's, 3 baths, deck, farm-ers porch and much more. Quality counter tops, hardwood flooring, finished 2-car garage & architectural windows are just a few of this house's many amenities. When you're a pretty wooded setting & close proximity to both downtown Bethel & the ski resort round out this fabulous new home package. \$479,000

LAND

STONEFIELD SUBDIVISION, GREENWOOD: If a beautiful view is what you're looking for, look no further! This brand new subdivision boasts spectacular views of the western mountains. Open, level building lots, and with a location close to Mt. Abram Ski Area these lots will go quickly. Reserve yours today! \$66,000 & up

IRISH NEIGHBORHOOD, OFF VERNON ST.: Beautiful FLAHERTY LANE subdivision is just a mile from Bethel. Wooded lots ranging from 1 to 2 acres, many to choose from! Close to Bethel village for dining & entertainment, and for your outdoor enthusiasts many mountains nearby to ski and hike or lakes ponds for swimming and boating. Don't delay, call today! \$39,900 & UP

Off Chandler Hill, Bethel: The location of HIDE-A-WAY HILLS subdivision can't be beat! Minutes off of Rte 26 and just a couple miles from Bethel Village, these lots offer a perfect setting! With views of the surrounding mountains, including Mt. Abram Skiway, a home built nestled in the trees would make a fantastic primary or secondary residence. \$55,000 & up

GRANDVIEW ESTATES, BETHEL: A lot with a fantastic view to build the home of your dreams! Within 15 minutes of Bethel or Rumford, this subdivision sits off the peaceful surroundings of a country road. Close to Sunday River & Mt. Abram ski areas and many lakes & ponds are just a few miles away for summer fun. **REDUCED!** \$39,900

RTE 26, WOODSTOCK: Currently a picturesque, rolling horse pasture, this 4 acre lot is just "up the hill" from Bryant Pond Village. Don't miss your opportunity to own a fantastic lot with either residential or business possibilities on Rte. 26. Lots of room on four acres for your designs & plans! \$59,900

INTERVALE RD, BETHEL: With views of Sunday River Ski Resort and the Androscoggin River, this parcel of land is a slice of heaven. Over 22 acres of land to build your dream home or vacation get away. Only minutes to Sunday River or Mt. Abram for winter fun, with lakes and ponds nearby for summer recreation! This has it all! Call to view this incredible property before it is too late! \$89,900

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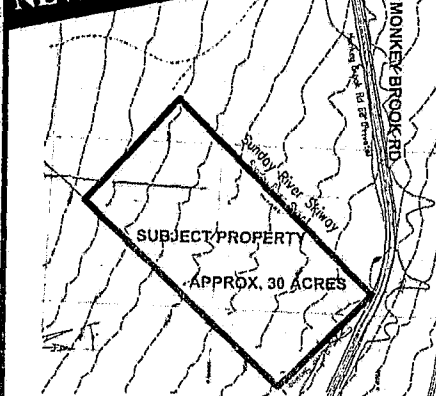
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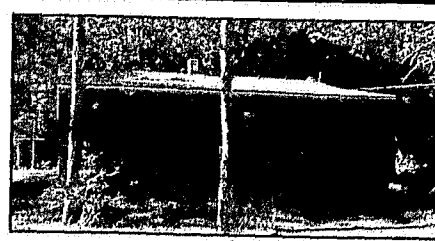
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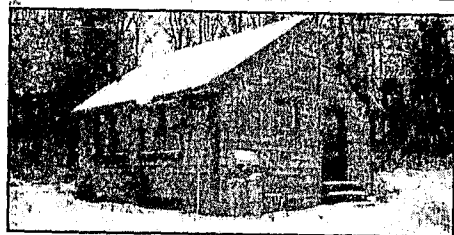
MONKEY BROOK RD, NEWRY: The location of this property can NOT be beat!! Imagine owning 30 +/- acres within 1 mile of the Sunday River Golf Course, the possibilities are endless! The views are spectacular and the deeded R.O.W. has been recorded just waiting for you to make your dream a reality. Call today! \$975,000



HOWARD POND ROAD, HANOVER: New Englander Style Home, 4 bedrooms, 1 bath, Meticulously clean and restored, 2.10 acres of fantastic land. \$199,900



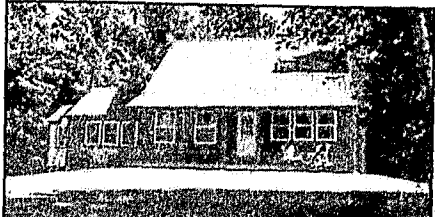
RIVER VALLEY ACRES RD, NEWRY: Nice ranch with covered porch, sits on a 1 acre lot just off the Sunday River Road! Three bedrooms, spacious living area, hardwood floors, open kitchen/dining/living concept, very homey! \$335,000



MEADOW BROOK ROAD, MASON TOWNSHIP: Camp, 1 bedroom, .98 acres, possible expansion. \$39,900



ROUTE 2, HANOVER: Antique cape, 4 bedrooms, 2 acres, two working fireplaces, skylights, lots of potential, 6 miles from Sunday River Access Rd. \$159,000



RIVERWOOD DRIVE, NEWRY: New cape, 3 bedrooms, 2 bath, sits on 2.5 acres, WATER FRONTAGE on Bear River, hot tub, security alarm, fully furnished, minutes to Sunday River! \$399,900



SUMNER RD, WEST PARIS: Three bedroom ranch on 2 acres. Property sits half way between South Paris & Bethel, the ideal location! Sit by the warm woodstove in the winter or sit outside on the back deck and enjoy the beautiful fall colors. Nice yard for the kids and pets also!! \$149,900



GROVER HILL ROAD, BETHEL: A must see home! 2 BR ranch w/central air, wired for generator, attached 1 car garage with direct entry into home, additional oversized 2 bay garage, outbuilding/barn & so much more! Country living at its best yet within minutes to Bethel Village. \$239,000



WALKERS MILLS ROAD, BETHEL: Mobile home on 1 acre in good location. Only a couple miles to Mt Abram Ski Area. Just minutes to Bethel Village for dining and entertainment or keep going and head to Sunday River Skiway for a day of skiing. \$114,000

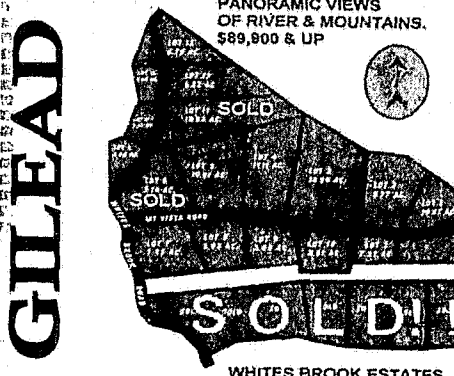
POSSIBLE RENT W/ OPTION TO BUY

ANNIS RD, BETHEL: Three bedroom ranch on a beautiful spacious 1.7 acre parcel. Lots of privacy, beautiful trees, & a nice yard all add to the charm of this newly renovated home. New carpet, linoleum & countertop, along with a cute patio off the kitchen make this worth a look. Less than 2 miles from Bethel Village!! \$145,000



RTE 2, BETHEL: Wonderful, older, 7 BR home with tons of potential, a great location for a possible B & B or a fun fixer-upper! Lots of charm & character with this one, including an open concept in the kitchen, very roomy bedrooms, & a unique sitting area which overlooks the back garden and open field. Truly a unique piece of Bethel history! \$110,000

LAND



WEST BETHEL RD, BETHEL: Beautiful 8 acre lot near Bethel village, possible commercial venture, wonderful location for home. \$110,000

RTE 232, BETHEL: Five acre lot w/septic plan for mobile home! 1 acre is pasture, 1 acre is meadow, 3 acres of woods. Natural back boundary is Barker Brook. \$38,000

SUNDAY RIVER AREA, NEWRY: Investment property like no other!! 140 acres close to the new golf course on the Jordan Grand Road. Development potential, beautiful views, near State of Maine hiking trails and Sunday River Ski Area. Imagine the possibilities!! \$1,750,000

GARDNER BROOK RD, ANDOVER: Buildable 2 acre lot, level, trees, and a babbling brook as the back border. Off the main rd, great for some peace and quiet, wildlife viewing or great morning walks! Call today. \$29,900

FLAT RD, BETHEL: Water frontage on the Pleasant River! 57 gorgeous acres, level, open & wooded, this lot has it all. Development potential, rural, nice location. \$164,000

HORSESHOE VALLEY RD, ROXBURY: Rare find in Roxbury! 135 partially wooded acres with great views of Whitecap, and access to major ITS snow mobile routes. Near Black Mountain ski area.

A great location for that ultimate dream house. Offered at \$152,500

RIVERWOOD DR, NEWRY: Bear river water frontage, second to none, pristine and crystal clear water, whispering pines, rural setting, this lot has everything. This prime acreage awaits your special building preference primary or second home will afford you many happy years! \$185,000

MILLS RD, WOODSTOCK: Perfect location! 2.6 acre lot for home or vacation property, 1.5 miles north of Bryant Pond Village, and minutes to Lake Christopher, Mt Abram Ski Area, Bethel Village & Sunday River Ski Resort. Offered @ \$37,900

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- Lot #37 1.73 Acres SOLD!
- Lot #39 1.6 Acres \$75,000
- Contact: JULIA YOUNG
- Lot #28 2.03 Acres SOLD!
- Lot #22 3.35 +/- Acres \$175,000
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SUNSET HILL

Walking Distance to Bethel Village
Minutes to Sunday River Ski Resort
Lot #1 4.4 Acres SOLD
Lot #2 1.00 Acres \$69,900
Lot #3 2.40 Acres SOLD
Lot #4 1.78 Acres SOLD
Lot #5 .97 Acres SOLD
Lot #6 2.36 Acres SOLD
Lot #7 2.49 Acres SOLD
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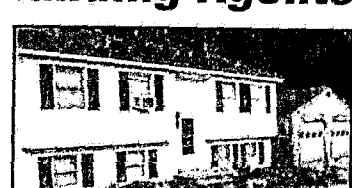
8 HIGH STREET, BETHEL \$189,000
• In town 3 Bedroom Home
• Strong Rental History
• Renovated 1 Bedroom Apartment
• Upgraded Utilities
• Walking Distance to All Village Amenities

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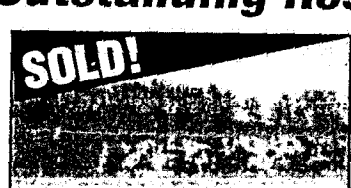
20 TAYLOR WOODS, BETHEL \$369,000
• Newly Constructed Log Sided Home
• 4 Bedroom / 3 1/2 Bath
• Finished Basement
• Open Floor Plan w/Cathedral Ceiling
• Gas Fireplace

Contact: CHERI THURSTON



157 EAST BETHEL ROAD, BETHEL \$145,000
• 4 Bedroom / 1 Bath
• 1.0 +/- Acres
• 2 Car Garage
• Fenced Backyard
• Minutes From Skiing & Golfing

Contact: CAROL EVERETT



MAYVILLE ROAD, BETHEL \$249,000
• 4 +/- Acres
• Located on Route 2
• Commercial Potential
• 2 Miles from Sunday River Road
• Town Water

Contact: MARGIE FINLEY



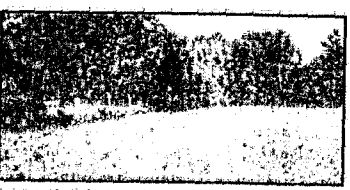
23 Cemetery Rd, Greenwood \$129,000
• 4 Bedroom / 1 Bath
• Views Of Mt. Abrams Ski Slopes
• Open floor Plan
• Mt. Abram Chalet Village
• Fully Furnished

Contact: JULIA YOUNG



19 Taylor Woods, Bethel 04217 \$385,000
• Beautiful Views
• 4 Bedroom / 3 1/2 Bath
• Finished Basement
• Fireplace
• Deeded Androscoggin River Access

Contact: CHERI THURSTON



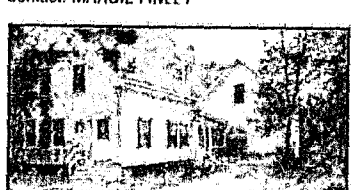
LOT 1 INTERVALE ROAD, BETHEL \$97,900
• 2.40 +/- Acres
• Pond On Property
• Soil Tested, Organically Certified
• Spring Fed Well
• Electric At Street

Contact: CAROL EVERETT



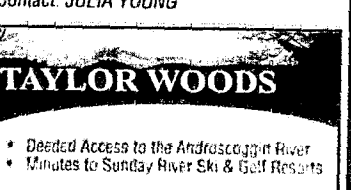
CROSSROADS DRIVE - 24 MAYVILLE RD, BETHEL \$279,000
• Well Established Restaurant
• Ice Cream Stand
• Highly Visible Location
• Two Rental Apartments
• Great Opportunity

Contact: MARGIE FINLEY



61 ELM ST, BETHEL \$199,000
• 3 Bedroom / 2 Bath
• 43 +/- Acres in Bethel Village
• Wood Stove
• Updated Interior
• Landscaped

Contact: JULIA YOUNG



TAYLOR WOODS
• Deeded Access to the Androscoggin River
• Minutes to Sunday River Ski & Golf Resorts
• 22 1.70 Acres \$49,900
• 23 1.93 Acres SOLD!
• 26 1.70 Acres \$53,900
• 27 2.16 Acres \$75,900
• 28 1.70 Acres \$65,900
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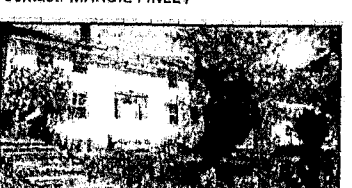
326 PARADISE ROAD, BETHEL \$399,500
• 5 Bedroom / 3 1/2 Bath
• Superior Custom Construction
• Hybrid Timber Frame Home
• Beautiful Mountain Views
• Efficiency Apartment

Contact: CHERI THURSTON



LOT 2 INTERVALE ROAD, BETHEL \$89,900
• 2.40 +/- Acres
• Pond On Property
• Soil Tested, Organically Certified
• Spring Fed Well
• Electric At Street

Contact: CAROL EVERETT



148 RICHARDSON HOLLOW RD., GREENWOOD \$215,000
• Restored Colonial Farmhouse
• 2 10 +/- Acres
• Three Fireplaces- Center Chimney
• Stone Walls, Views, + Perennials
• Custom Kitchen and Pine Flooring

Contact: MARGIE FINLEY



2999 MAIN ST, HANOVER \$369,000
• Quality Constructed Contemporary Home
• 500+ - Ft Androscoggin River Frontage
• Breathtaking River & Mountain Views
• Attached 4 Car Heated Garage/Workshop
• Approximately 2900 +/- SF

Contact: MARGIE FINLEY

LAND

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MAYVILLE RD, RT2 - BETHEL
• 4 +/- Acres Lot SOLD!
BEECH RIDGE LANE - WEST PARIS
• 5.2 +/- Acres \$35,000
HOWE HILL ROAD - GREENWOOD
• 2.53 +/- Acres \$62,500
Contact: CHERI THURSTON
TYLER STREET
• 77 +/- Acres \$59,000
TYLER STREET
• 137 +/- Acres \$69,000
INTERVALE ROAD
• 25 +/- Acres \$299,000
Contact: JULIA YOUNG
VERNON ST, BETHEL
• 40 +/- Acres SOLD!
Contact: CAROL EVERETT
CHURCH ST, WOODSTOCK
• 50 +/- Acres \$149,000
INTERVALE ROAD, BETHEL
• 2.40 +/- Acres \$87,900
INTERVALE ROAD, BETHEL
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NEW LISTING!

STORYBOOK CAPE

Meticulously landscaped 3 bedroom / 2.5 bath home in storybook setting. Well built and designed home, near Howard Pond, winter and summer recreation, ski resorts. 2-car garage. \$329,900

NEW LISTING!

YEAR-ROUND CAMPS

Great opportunity to live in one and rent out other. Two well maintained year round camps. Nestled in the pines. Private pond and babbling brook abuts property. Snowmobile trail from your front door. \$169,000

NEW LISTING!

GREAT LOCATION

Great location near Howard Pond. Lovely well designed 3 bedroom / 2 bath home offers spacious lawn areas, enclosed sunroom, 2 car garage, covered porch, open floor plan and more! Suberb construction. \$299,900

NEW LISTING!

PREMIER COMMERCIAL LOCATION

Premier commercial location in Bethel. Excellent opportunity to expand building for additional space. Situated on the highly-traveled Parkway Road with endless possibilities. Sale does not include Connecting Rentals, Inc. \$379,900

MAINE'S PREMIER SKI HOME

Prestigious ski home with commanding views of all 8 interconnected mountain peaks of Sunday River Ski Resort. Open concept living spread across 3 levels. Spacious great room, 4 bedrooms, 3 baths. \$1,550,000

SPECTACULAR SUNDAY RIVER VIEWS

Private 4 bdrm home with spectacular views of Sunday River Ski Resort and just minutes from world-class skiing and golf. Open floorplan complete with fireplace, woodstove, private master suite, large wraparound deck and hot tub. \$455,900

RED HOUSE FARM VILLAGE

Now under construction, this 3 bedroom, 3 bath home will be ready by January 2006. Features include: a two bay garage, tile, white washed cabinets and a full basement for expansion. Ski home to your door or take the trolley directly to the lodge. On mountain living couldn't be easier! \$429,000

NEWLY CONSTRUCTED HOME

Awesome newly constructed home with beautiful mountain views located at Powder Ridge. Post and beam interior with tone fireplace, 9' ceilings, clear western red cedar siding, granite countertops, wood flooring and more! \$549,000

BEAUTIFUL NEW POWDER RIDGE HOME

Soon to be finished 11 room home located at the top of Powder Ridge. This 3 story custom built home boasts a stone fireplace, 5 bedrooms, 5 bath, custom cherry cabinets, granite counter tops, Decore appliances, Trex decking and finished day light basement. Unbelievable views, just minutes from Sunday River \$789,000

CASABLANCA CINEMA

Premier location in Bethel. Property offered features four theaters. Also included is an additional 5600sqft. of Prime commercial leasing space. Great opportunity for investment property located in the heart of Ski/Golf community. \$1,300,000

MOUNT TUMBLEDOWN CAPE

Adorable Cape nestled into the mountain side with 6.25+/- acres of playground. Basement finished with pine tongue and groove walls and tile floor. Two car garage with electric and water, living or office space above. House has great natural light with southern exposure. \$246,000

BETHEL VILLAGE

Located in Historic district of Bethel. Main House features beautiful wood floors, fireplace. 3 additional rental units, plus mother in law quarters. Three bay garage. Live in town while generating rental income. \$649,900

INVITING DORMERED CAPE

Three bedroom, two bath dormered cape located close to town on a nice country lot. Sunny interior with southern exposure. Beautiful wood floors and lots of windows, well established perennial gardens, porch, attached garage. River & mountain views. \$225,000

MOUNTAIN VISTA CONDOMINIUMS

Ownership at Mountain Vista puts you and your family in the center of the beauty and recreation that western Maine offers. Situated less than 5 minutes from world-class skiing and golf at Sunday River Ski Resort, Mountain Vista offers spacious 3-bedroom bi-level units. During the winter months, you will have the opportunity to ride the Mountain Explorer to Sunday River Ski Resort or the numerous shops, restaurants and pubs located along the Sunday River Road and in the village of Bethel. 7 remaining units starting at \$279,000.

STUNNING SHINGLE STYLE HOME

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ACREAGE, PRIVACY AND QUALITY

Exceptional 4+ bedroom envelope home with 48+ private acres with stream and pond. Dream gourmet kitchen, living room with cathedral ceiling and lots of glass to gaze at the views. Finished daylight basement with unlimited possibilities. Low taxes. \$599,000

UPDATED 2-BEDROOM HOME

Nicely maintained two bedroom home on a nice quiet street just a short distance from all area activities, including skiing, hiking, boating, snowmobiling, etc. This home has recently been repainted inside and out - new carpet and vinyl. A must see at a great price. \$134,900

CONDOMINIUMS

F2 SOUTH RIDGE: 2 bedroom / 2 bath ski in/out town-house. Fully-furnished.....\$299,000

309 NORTH PEAK II: 2 bedroom / 1 bath ski in/out condominium. Furnished.....\$215,000

BROOKSIDE: 1 bedroom / 1 bath ski in/out condominium. Great views. Furnished.....\$139,000

B414 WHITE CAP: 1 bedroom / 1 bath ski in/out condominium. Fully furnished.....\$139,900

C105 SUNRISE: 1 bedroom / 1 bath ski in/out condominium. Fully furnished.....\$137,000

BROOKSIDE: 1 bedroom / 1 bath ski in/out condominium. Great views. Furnished.....PENDING

BROOKSIDE: 1 bedroom / 1 bath ski in/out condominium. Great views, fully-furnished.....\$124,900

BROOKSIDE: 1 bedroom / 1 bath ski in/out condominium. Great views. Furnished.....PENDING

BROOKSIDE: Studio unit / 1 bath ski in/out condominium. Great views, fully-furnished.....\$87,000

01 PLEASANT RIVER: 2 bedrooms / 1 baths Minutes to Sunday River. Fully-furnished.....SOLD

LAND

Unlimited Potential: 245 acres.....\$299,000

Songo Pond Waterfront: 1.9 acres.....\$289,000

Intervale Rd Riverfrontage 19.1 acres.....\$139,900

Paradise Road Views 2 acres.....\$139,000

Red House Farm Village.....\$120,000

Large Untracked Parcel: 43 acres.....\$100,000

Wilson's Ripples Premier Lot: 1.94 acres.....\$99,000

Bethel Views: 7 acres.....\$85,000

Private Lot With Views: 20 acres.....\$85,000

South Pond Shores: 5+ acres.....\$85,000

Premier Taylor Woods Riverfront Lot: 1.7 acres.....\$84,900

Queen's Landing: 2 10 acre lots.....\$80,000

Grover Hill Road Views: 2 acres.....\$89,000

Bird Hill Lot: 12 acres.....\$75,000

Sunset Hill - Spectacular Views: 1.46 acres.....\$74,900

Milton Plantation Scenic Lot: 34 acres.....\$72,000

Close Proximity to North Pond: 1 acre.....\$49,900

North Road Views: 1.1 acres.....\$47,000

Intervale Road Lot: 11.5 acres.....SOLD

Albany Building Lot: 1.36 acres.....\$39,000

Ellis River, Andover: 2.6 acres.....PENDING

Scenic Albany Lot: 5.52 acres.....\$25,000

Hidden Acres Building Lot: 2.94 acres.....\$22,500

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Lot 02: 1.10 acres.....\$299,999
Lot 07: 1.00 acres.....\$260,000
Lot 09: 1.00 acres.....\$260,000
Lot 21: 1.02 acres.....\$220,000
Lot 33: 1.05 acres.....\$298,000
Lot 35: 1.00 acres.....\$235,000
Lot 37: 1.09 acres.....\$298,000
Lot 38: 1.05 acres.....\$298,000
Lot 41: 1.01 acres.....\$270,000

POWDER RIDGE

Lot 03: 1.18 acres.....PENDING
Lot 12: 1.92 acres.....SOLD
Lot 15: 3.02 acres.....SOLD
Lot 18: 1.70 acres.....SOLD
Lot 26: 4.45 acres.....SOLD
Lot 29: 1.81 acres.....SOLD
Lot 30: 3.45 acres.....SOLD
Lot 31: 3.23 acres.....\$179,900
Lot 42: 2.02 acres.....SOLD
Lot 78: 1.64 acres.....PENDING
Lot 87: 1.00 acres.....SOLD
Lot 92: 1.13 acres.....SOLD
Lot 96: 2.76 acres.....SOLD
Lot 99: 1.09 acres.....\$115,000
Lot 104-1: 3.77 acres.....\$195,000

MOUNTAIN VALLEY

Lot 01: 2.62 acres.....SOLD
Lot 02: 2.38 acres.....SOLD
Lot 03: 2.17 acres.....SOLD
Lot 04: 2.51 acres.....SOLD
Lot 05: 2.31 acres.....SOLD
Lot 06: 1.31 acres.....SOLD
Lot 07: 1.27 acres.....SOLD
Lot 08: 2.19 acres.....\$89,900
Lot 09: 1.09 acres.....SOLD
Lot 10: 1.47 acres.....SOLD
Lot 11: 1.47 acres.....SOLD
Lot 12: 2.34 acres.....\$79,900
Lot 13: 3.77 acres.....RESERVED
Lot 14: 1.99 acres.....RESERVED

SWAN HILL AT INTERVALE

Lot 01: 2.00 acres.....SOLD
Lot 02: 2.66 acres.....\$75,900
Lot 03: 2.91 acres.....\$75,900
Lot 04: 1.76 acres.....\$75,900
Lot 05: 1.77 acres.....\$89,900
Lot 06: 2.01 acres.....SOLD
Lot 07: 1.53 acres.....\$85,900
Lot 08: 2.52 acres.....SOLD
Lot 09: 1.41 acres.....\$85,900
Lot 10: 1.65 acres.....\$87,900
Lot 11: 2.22 acres.....\$89,900
Lot 12: 1.58 acres.....\$72,900
Lot 13: 2.50 acres.....SOLD
Lot 14: 2.59 acres.....\$82,900

ELLINGWOOD MOUNTAIN

Lot 01: 2.12 acres.....\$60,000
Lot 02: 1.93 acres.....\$65,000
Lot 03: 2.08 acres.....\$60,000
Lot 04: 1.61 acres.....\$72,000
Lot 05: 1.77 acres.....\$76,000
Lot 06: 1.93 acres.....\$80,000
Lot 07: 2.88 acres.....\$82,000

RIVER GLEN

Lot 02: 1.55 acres.....\$39,900
Lot 04: 2.25 acres.....\$47,900
Lot 06: 2.83 acres.....\$57,900
Lot 08: 3.10 acres.....\$69,900
Lot 09: 2.28 acres.....\$79,900
Lot 10: 5.50 acres.....\$89,900
Lot 11: 3.40 acres.....\$84,900

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NEW LISTING!



New Listing - Forest Homes Subdivision: Located on the outskirts of the quintessential Village of Bethel on a rare & scenic parcel consisting of almost 6 private acres, Come Across This handsome log sided home of spectacular dimensions. Built in 2005 in a sought after residential area only minutes to Sunday River Ski Resort as well as golf courses, lakes & many other recreations, this 4 Bedroom plus loft, 4 Bath home will accommodate the largest of clans throughout its beautifully furnished interior. Inclusive of a massive Great Room with eye catching stone fireplace & adjoining kitchen with center Isle, dining area, lower level Family Room, large deck, and hot tub....Awaiting You & Your Family and Friends in Move-In Condition For Immediate Gratification! \$450,000

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Locke Mountain D-2: Enhanced With Powerful Mountain Vista Views, this most luxurious accommodation is found nestled among a renowned network of extensive ski terrain with ski-out your back door access to the Wildlife Trail. Among the most elite of on-mountain ski-in/ski-out offerings, this extremely spacious tri-level floor plan includes an entry room with ceramic tile leading to an open living concept; Great Room with impressive polished granite fireplace, deck with scenic views, modern Kitchen with oak cabinetry, adjoining Dining and Den areas, Four Bedrooms, Three and one-half Baths, Lower Level Family Room, Laundry Room, Storage Room and use of nearby outdoor heated pool, clubhouse and Jacuzzi. Tastefully decorated boasting lush carpeting throughout, this elegant townhouse is now being offered at \$699,000.

MT. ABRAM!



Bear Lane, Greenwood: What An Exceptional Offering....This Newly Constructed Spectacular Log Sided Chalet is Situated On Beautifully Manicured, Professionally Landscaped Grounds & Boasts A Private Backyard Area & Ski-in/Ski-out Access to Mt. Abram trails!!!! The home has many nice features inc. rich wood int. ceilings & walls, GR w/cathedral ceiling, fireplace, & an abundance of glass including sliding patio doors, spacious kitchen w/custom island, stainless steel appliances & adj. dining area, 1st floor master Bedroom suite w/large walk-in closet & private bath showcasing a whirlpool tub & shower, & an add'l 1st floor Bedroom & bath. The cozy upper level loft provides a 3rd BR Suite w/private bath & Reading Nook. Offering Scenic mtn vista views from the large wrap around deck, & w/in close proximity to 2 area ski resorts & many local lakes&ponds, this home provides plenty of opportunities for year round use & enjoyment. An outstanding package!!!! \$369,000

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NEW LISTING!



Newly/Ragged Hill Road: Only Minutes To Sunday River Slopes, You will find this Cedar Sided Contemporary. Encompassed almost entirely by breathtaking mtn vista views inclusive of SR Ski Trails & the glorious greens of the new SR Golf Course, the scenic Great Room is highlighted by a series of massive windows, birch flooring, maple cabinetry, granite countertops & the warmth of a stone faced fireplace. 4 BRs, 3 Baths, FR & so much more! This Property Must Be Seen To Appreciate Its Natural Beauty Throughout Its Setting! \$509,000

NEW SUBDIVISION!



Mountain Brook Estates: Offering Twelve Scenic Parcels In A Brand New Subdivision Just Minutes To Bethel Village and Sunday River Ski Resort! Customize your House Plans To Suit Your Needs and Individual choices such as A Log Sided Chalet with warm, earthy Living Spaces, wall of windows, high ceilings, wood floors, fieldstone fireplaces, 3-4 Bedrooms, 3 Baths, Full Basement Base Prices Start @ \$350,000!!!

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Paradise Pines, Bethel: Under New Ownership! Nine Premier lots, wood, of with pine and birch, located in a quiet, sought after locale on coveted Paradise Rd. Within A Beautiful New Subdivision. Offering Custom house plans of stick built, log or modular const. Within close proximity to Historic Bethel Village, Sunday River and Mt. Abram Ski Resort. 2 lush championship golf courses, dazzling lakes and rivers, and so much more! Isn't this the perfect location for your primary or vacation home situated in the Western Mtns of Maine? Base Prices start @ \$350,000!!!

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Sunday River Ski In/Ski Out Condos

BROOKSIDE BUILDING I		
B-401	2 Bdrm/1 Bath	\$215,000
BROOKSIDE BUILDING II		
B-207	Studio/1 Bath	\$84,000
A-201	Studio/1 Bath	\$89,900
A-213	Studio/1 Bath	\$89,900
A-214	Studio/1 Bath	\$94,900
B-314	1 Bdrm/1 Bath	\$134,900
A-306	1 Bdrm/1 Bath	\$139,900
A-115	1 Bdrm/1 Bath	SOLD
CASCADES		
B-16	Studio/1 Bath	\$89,900
FALL LINE		
N-111	1 Bdrm/1 Bath	SOLD
E-106	1 Bdrm/1 Bath	SOLD
W-111	1 Bdrm/1 Bath	SOLD
E-206	1 Bdrm/1 Bath	SOLD
LOCKE MOUNTAIN		
D-2	4 Bdrm/3.5 Bath	\$699,000
D-3	4 Bdrm/3.5	SOLD
MERRILL BROOK		
I-C	1 Bdrm/1 Bath	\$199,900
I-A	1 Bdrm/1 Bath	SOLD
NORTHPEAK		
I-306	2 Bdrm/1 Bath	\$199,000
WHITE CAP		
A-305	1 Bdrm/1 Bath	\$145,900
A-208	1 Bdrm/1 Bath	PENDING
B-214	1 Bdrm/1 Bath	SOLD
SOUTH RIDGE		
B-4	1 Bdrm/1 Bath	\$194,000
F-5	2 Bdrm/1.5 Bath	\$279,900
B-2	2 Bdrm/1.5 Bath	\$275,000
B-6	3 Bdrm/1.5 Bath	\$334,900
SUNRISE		
C-106	1 Bdrm/1 Bath	SOLD
A-105	1 Bdrm/1 Bath	SOLD
A-111	1 Bdrm/1 Bath	SOLD

Area Townhomes

BARKER BROOK		
#5	2 Bdrm/2 Bath	SOLD
CHAMBERLAIN CONDOMINIUMS		
#33-A	2 Bdrm/1 Bath	\$184,900
BETHEL INN TOWNHOMES		
#514/515	2 Bdrm/2 Bath	SOLD
#568/569	2 Bdrm/2 Bath	SOLD
#536/537	2 Bdrm/2 Bath	SOLD
LAKE CHRISTOPHER CONDOMINIUMS		
UNIT M	2 Bdrm/1.5 Bath	SOLD
OPERA HOUSE		
#23	Loft 1 Bdrm/1 Bath	SOLD
POWDER RIDGE TOWNHOMES		
#38	2 Bdrm/1.5 Bath	SOLD
RIVERBEND		
#4	1 Bdrm/1 Bath	SOLD
#14	2 Bdrm/2 Bath	SOLD
SUNDAY RIVER ESTATES		
#6	4 Bdrm/3 Bath	\$439,900
#5	4 Bdrm/3 Bath	\$459,900

Sunday River Quartershares

JORDAN GRAND QUARTERSHARE		
146-A	Studio/1 Bath	\$17,500
149-B	Studio/1 Bath	\$17,500
155-D	Studio/1 Bath	\$22,500
139-C	Studio/1 Bath	\$25,900
163-A	1 Bdrm/1 Bath	\$29,500
163-B	1 Bdrm/1 Bath	\$29,500
163-C	1 Bdrm/1 Bath	\$29,500
163-D	1 Bdrm/1 Bath	\$29,500
235/237-D	2 Bdrm/2 Bath	\$42,000
254-B	1 Bdrm/1 Bath	\$42,900
157/159-C	2 Bdrm/2 Bath	\$43,000
144-C	1 Bdrm/1 Bath	\$46,000
156-C	1 Bdrm/1 Bath	\$46,000
248/250-B	2 Bdrm/2 Bath	\$49,500
209/211-B	2 Bdrm/2 Bath	\$49,900
104/106-B	2 Bdrm/2 Bath	\$50,000
263/265-C	2 Bdrm/2 Bath	\$54,000
253-B	1 Bdrm/1 Bath	\$55,000
329-A	1 Bdrm/2 Bath	\$67,000
GRAND SUMMIT QUARTERSHARE		
121-A	Studio/1 Bath	\$13,000
115-D	Studio/1 Bath	\$13,900
105-C	Studio/1 Bath	\$18,000
325/327-B	2 Bdrm/2 Bath	\$28,000
188/190-C	2 Bdrm/2 Bath	\$33,500
260/262-A	2 Bdrm/2 Bath	\$29,000
120/122-B	2 Bdrm/2 Bath	\$41,000
330/332-A	2 Bdrm/2 Bath	\$41,000
241/243-D	2 Bdrm/2 Bath	\$55,000
317-B	Studio/1 Bath	SOLD
253-A	Studio/1 Bath	SOLD

GREAT VALUE!



Bethel: Access this home conveniently through a lower level entry/oversized Garage to a partially finished basement with plentiful storage areas. The focal point of this home is the massive FR w/ a one of a kind custom wall mural. A large master BR resulting from a merger of two former bedrooms can easily be re-converged if necessary. A kit. with countertop island seating plus dining area. An add'l bedroom comprises the remainder of this lv. This home is situated on a 1 +/- incredibly landscaped parcel. All This For \$189,000!!

COOMBS VILLAGE!



New Listing - Coombs Village: Immaculate ski home in outstanding condition nestled in the quiet Coombs Village Subdivision. Open floor plan combines a large living and dining area. Sit on a quiet corner lot, two large 2nd fl BRs, 1st fl master, spacious living/dining room with cozy woodstove, wonderful entryway mudroom, nice exterior deck, & a full basement offer plenty of storage and organizational possibilities. An ideal getaway in a great location at a fantastic price! \$399,000

SKI IN/SKI OUT!



Sunday River Village: Attractively Nestled On The Most Covered Of Ski-In, Ski-Out Locations, the superb locale of this "Greenbriar" Chalet can not be beat! Customized & lovingly maintained, exc. access to Ridge Run, fabulous mountain & trail views & sunny southern exp. Open Great Room & Kit with Tongue & Groove pine walls, hardwood floors, 4 Bedrooms, Family Room, multi Baths & ext. wrapnd deck. The Condition & Location Make This Offering One In A Million!!!! \$849,000

NEW LISTINGS!



New Listings - Sunday River Estates: Newly Constructed Townhome Units Located En Route To Sunday River Ski Resort. Offering approx. 3,000 sq. ft. of living space in this tri-lvl design, these units boast an open & inviting 1st floor w/spacious kit., living area, LR w/gas stove & large center island. Other features include a 2nd fl master w/waterfall ceiling & private full bath, entryway mud room, ceramic tile, carpeting, & lock-out unit w/private entry in the finished daylight basement. In all 4 BRs/3 Baths, & all the accoutrements of this caliber should offer \$5 - \$459,900 \$6 - \$439,900

NEW LISTING!



East Bethel Road, Bethel: Attractive Chalet Const. in 2003 situated on an open & level lot boasting panoramic mtn vista views! Showcasing an inviting LR, adj. kit. & dining area featuring architectural windows, sliding glass doors & a cathedral ceiling covered in tongue & groove pine; 3 BRs inclusive of a 2nd level MB w/private bath & wood floors, 2 full baths & nice exterior deck. Offering the privacy of a rural country setting yet within ever-so-close proximity to both Sunday River and Mt. Abram ski resorts and Bethel Village Amenities, this is a must see!! \$209,900

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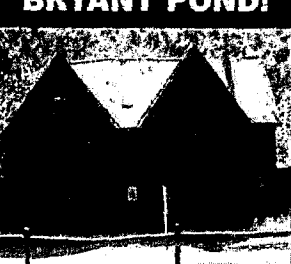
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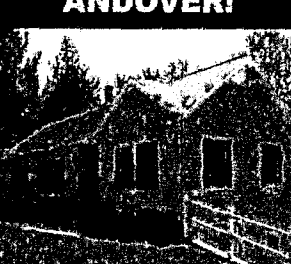
New Listings - Bethel: An expansive and panoramic setting reminiscent of yesteryear is replete with unique vintage barn of enormous proportions having served members of the renowned Tiffany family as a customized country retreat. A massive fieldstone fireplace most aptly serves as a majestic focal point of this must be seen tri-level structure. Offered on 2 acres at \$199,000!! Stately Turn-Of-The-Century Greek Revival home is situated nearby offering handsome parlor with fireplace, formal dining room, country kitchen, fabulous family room showcasing exposed wooden beams and custom built-ins, three bedrooms, 1 1/2 baths, full basement with greenhouse area and lovely grounds. Offered on 2 acres at \$209,000!! Buy House and Barn on 5 acres at \$459,000!! Additional Acreage Possibly Available.

BRYANT POND!



86 South Main St, Woodstock: Affordable 4 Bedroom New Englander Awaiting Your Personal Design Renovations. Attached 3 story barn allows for off street parking, plentiful storage or expansion possibilities. Situated in the village of Bryant Pond within walking distance of all town amenities and public boat access to Lake Christopher, & only 10 miles from Mt. Abram ski resort and offering close proximity to Sunday River Ski Resort make this home an attractive location for a primary, vacation, retirement, or rental property. \$74,500 !!!

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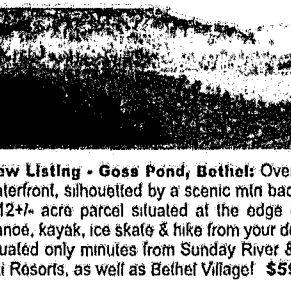
Andover: Nicely Maintained 3 BR Ranch Sit'd On A Manicured Lot In Subdivision. Open floor plan combines a large LR w/FR, adj. eat-in kitchen & sun filled dining area w/sliding glass doors. 2 BRs/2 baths, inclusive of a master BR suite, partially finished daylight basement w/den/office, ample storage, lovely landscaping, private backyard area & mtn views. Within driving distance to Sunday River & minutes to local snowmobile trails, ponds & swimming holes. Offered at an exceptional price of \$169,000!!

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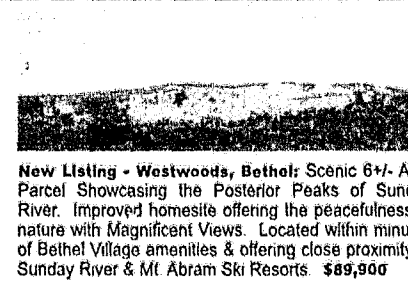
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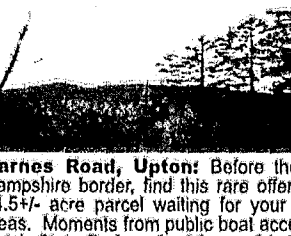
New Listing - Goss Pond, Bethel: Over 220+/- foot of waterfront, situated on a scenic mtn backdrop with this 1.12+/- acre parcel situated at the edge of Goss Pond. Canoe, kayak, ice skate & hike from your door while being situated only minutes from Sunday River & Mount Abram Ski Resorts, as well as Bethel Village! \$59,000



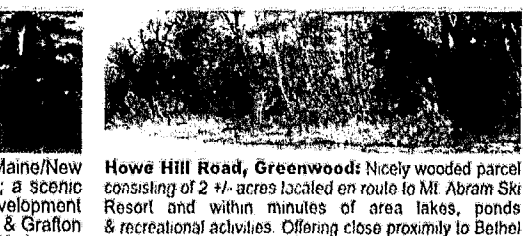
SUNDAY RIVER ROAD: Two lots located within 1 mile of Sunday River Ski Resort and 3 1/2 miles to Sunday River NEW Golf Course. Scenic views and babbling brook on property. These lots have been surveyed and soil tested for septic systems and are awaiting your custom blueprints! 5.2 ACRES \$125,000 6.7 ACRES \$150,000



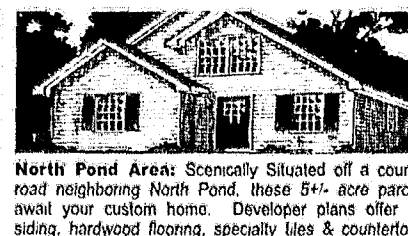
New Listing - Westwoods, Bethel: Scenic 6+/- Acre Parcel Showcasing the Posterior Peaks of Sunday River. Improved homestead offering the peacefulness of nature with magnificent views. Located within minutes of Bethel Village amenities & offering close proximity to Sunday River & Mt. Abram Ski Resorts \$89,900



Barnes Road, Upton: Before the Maine/New Hampshire border, find this rare offering: a scenic 44.5+/- acre parcel waiting for your development ideas. Moments from public boat access & Grafton Notch State Park and w/ views of Lake Umbagog. What More Could You Ask For?? \$114,500



Howe Hill Road, Greenwood: Nicely wooded parcel consisting of 2 +/- acres located en route to Mt. Abram Ski Resort and within minutes of area lakes, ponds & recreational activities. Offering close proximity to Bethel Village amenities and a short drive to Sunday River. Awaiting your custom blueprints at \$46,900!!!



North Pond Area: Scenically Situated off a country road neighboring North Pond, these 5+/- acre parcels await your custom home. Developer plans offer log siding, hardwood flooring, specialty tiles & countertops, fireplace surrounds & luxurious master suite selections. Value Priced at \$39,900, CALL FOR DETAILS!!!

Obituaries



JUDITH E. HASKELL
Judith Esther (Klain) Haskell, 72, died suddenly Friday morning, Dec. 23, 2005 at her home on Paradise Street, Bethel.

She was born in Portland, on Aug. 31, 1933, the elder daughter of David A. and Adeline Decoster Klain of Norway. She attended the schools of Norway and graduated in the Class of 1950 from Norway High School. She attended the then Jackson College of Tufts University for two years, later graduating from the University of Maine.

In 1952, she married her high school classmate, Colwyn F. Haskell. Following his graduation from the University of Maine, in 1955, they moved to Rumford and then to Bethel where they have lived since 1956.

After raising her children, she resumed her college studies and drove many long late-night miles from Bethel to Portland, Gorham, and Augusta and return to complete her degree requirements.

A distant family relationship with a one-time owner of the Moses Mason house in Bethel led her into many years of volunteer work with that part of the Bethel Historical Society's activities.

Her appreciation for really good food of widely varying tastes prompted her to become a much-appreciated cook by her fortunate family. The greatest pleasures of her elder years were her beloved grand-

children, and she was ever grateful for the opportunity to be an active part of their lives, from birth to adulthood, in the same town where she had grown up. She and her sister, Joyce Wilson of Bloomington, Ind., remained in close contact with weekly phone calls and also during the summer at the Wilson's home on Norway Lake.

Mrs. Haskell is survived by her husband of 53 years; a son, James A. Haskell and wife Jane of South Paris; a daughter, Kathryn H. Davis and husband Michael of Norway; a special daughter, Jean M. Waite and husband Gregory of Bethel; a sister, Joyce D. Wilson and husband George of Bloomington, Ind.; three grandchildren, Alex, Nora, and Owen Davis; a nephew, David Wilson; and a niece, Elizabeth Mitchell; numerous cousins of both her Decoster and Klain extended families. She was predeceased by her parents and the aunts and uncles of that generation, including her special aunt Bess (Elizabeth Klain).

There will be no funeral services at this holiday season; notice will be given of memorial time in the spring. Family and friends who wish are invited to honor Judy's memory by donating to: Student Intern Program, Bethel Historical Society, P.O. Box 12, Bethel, ME 04217.

NANCY D. REDSTONE

Nancy D. Redstone, 54, of Portland died Dec. 21, 2005 at her residence.

Nancy was born June 4, 1951 in Portland, the daughter of Frank Cole and Clementine Crocker Morgan Jordan where she attended and was a graduate of Deering High School Class of 1969.

Nancy married Charles Redstone in 1969.

She worked for 29 years as a daycare provider, and so enjoyed working with children. She served as a Girl Scout Leader for several years. More recently she worked at the Park Danforth Assisted Living Center as the activities director. Spending time with her residents was one of her favorite things.

Survivors include her husband, Charles Redstone of Portland; children, Matthew Redstone of Portsmouth, N.H., Amy Redstone of Antioch, Tenn., and Benjamin Redstone of Turner; grandchildren, Tyler Nicole, McKenna and Ian; brothers, Rodney Jordan of Bethel, Doug Jordan of Buxton, Wayne Jordan of Woolwich, Stuart Jordan of Westbrook, Linda LaBerge of Little Rock, Ark., and Timothy

Jordan of West Suffield, Conn. She was predeceased by her parents; a brother, David Jordan; and sister, Beverly Lowell.

A memorial service was held on Tuesday, Dec. 27, at the Hobbs Funeral Home, South Portland.

PATRICIA M. BLAQUIERE

Patricia M. Blaquiere, 71, of Oxford died Saturday Dec. 24, 2005 at the Norway Rehabilitation and Living Center.

She was born in West Bethel on Dec. 26, 1933 the daughter of Wilbur and Ruby Luxton Davis. She was a graduate of Gould Academy. She married James "Blackie" Blaquiere on March 15, 1954 and is survived by him.

Patricia was a devoted wife and mother who worked for the Bethel Phone Co. in her early years when there were crank phones in Bethel. She enjoyed knitting, gardening, and baking. She was the Official Baker for the Oxford Fire Department. She was also a CB radio enthusiast whose CB handle was "Old Maid."

She is survived by her loving husband of 51 years, James "Blackie" Blaquiere of Oxford, six daughters, Debra J. Blaquiere of Augusta, Sally J. May of Oxford, Brenda J. Sawyer of Oxford, Linda J. Cary of Bryant Pond, Sandra J. Johnson of Waterford, and Christine J. Gammon of West Paris; five sons, Thomas A. of Norway, George A. of Mechanic Falls, Charles A. of Norway, Timothy E. of Mechanic Falls, and Mark A. of Oxford; 11 grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; two brothers, Robert Davis of Bethel and Lonnie Davis of West Bethel; three sisters, Arlene Lowell of Bethel, Elizabeth Gilbert of West Bethel, and Nancy Brown of Gorham; and several nieces and nephews.

A graveside service will be announced in the spring at Norway Pine Grove Cemetery. Donations in Patricia's memory can be made to the Oxford Fire and Rescue, P.O. Box 273, Oxford ME 04270 or the Norway Rehabilitation and Living Center Activity Fund, 29 Marion Avenue, Norway, ME 04268.

MARGARET E. TOTH

Margaret E. Toth, 80, of West Paris and formerly of Las Vegas, Nev., died at the Ledgewood Living Center on Dec. 25, 2005.

She was born in Stowe, Pa., on April 21, 1925, the daughter of Andrew and Mary (Julie) Varady. She married Wilmer Toth in Stowe, Pa., on Aug. 17, 1946.

Margaret had been a homemaker most of her life. She loved music, was an avid sports fan, especially football, loved crossword puzzles, was a marvelous cook, enjoyed nickel slots in Las Vegas and was an avid traveler having been to all of the states with the ex-

ception of Alaska and Hawaii.

She is survived by her husband of 59 years of West Paris; one daughter, Marsha Burns of Andover; one brother, Alex Varady of Pottstown, Pa.; three grandchildren, Amy L. Byrne of Dover, N.H., Thomas W. Byrne of Lewiston and Casandra A. Toth of Pompano Beach, Fla.; and two great-grandchildren. She was predeceased by a daughter, M. Jane Wheeler; a son, Mark W. Toth; and one sister, Elizabeth Basco, who died Dec. 17, 2005.

Memorial services will be held at the Ledgewood Living Center, 141 Bethel Road, West Paris on Thursday, Dec. 29 at 2 p.m., with Jane Rich officiating.

BARBARA M. LUCAS

Barbara M. Lucas, 86, of Bethel died peacefully at her home on Dec. 25, 2005.

She was born May 6, 1919, at the Kimball Farm in Rumford Center, the daughter of Nahum P. Moore and Dorothy K. Moore.

Barbara graduated from Gould Academy in the Class of 1937. She attended Westbrook Junior College and graduated from Bates College in 1942. She began her teaching career at Fryeburg Academy the same year. She also taught at Lawrence High School in Fairfield, Valley High School in Bingham and retired from Madawaska High School in 1980. She then returned to her beloved Bethel and spent her remaining years there.

After her retirement she was an avid bridge player and enjoyed being a member of the Frisky Fours. She especially enjoyed the family gatherings at "Camp" in Embden.

Barbara was loved by all that knew her. Her kindness and grace extended far beyond her family.

She had a book published, "Hell You Can Drive," and a record demo.

Barbara is survived by her daughter, Kim Vicneire and husband Jimmy of North Anson; granddaughters, Susan Goss, with whom she shared a special bond, and fiancé Jim Roy of Waterville, Ann Tibbetts and husband Shannon of Athens; grandsons, Paul Vicneire and wife Heidi of Embden, Chris Vicneire and fiancée Holley Dunphy of North Anson, James Vicneire Jr. and wife Kelly of Bingham; great-grandchildren, Cristie Vicneire, Jenna and Jared Goss, Nicholas Sansone, Makayla Vicneire and Melanie Vicneire; several cousins; a lifelong friend, Margaret J. Tibbetts; and special friend and adopted daughter, Janet Willie.

At Barbara's request there will be no funeral. A celebration of her life will be held in the spring. In lieu of flowers, donations in Barbara's memory may be made to Responsible Pet Care, 132 Waterford Road, Norway, ME 04268.

Weddings



Mr. & Mrs. Neil Alan Phelps

Carrie Michelle Rolfe and Neil Alan Phelps were united in marriage on Friday, Aug. 5, 2005 in a private ceremony attended by parents, grandparents and brothers and sisters atop scenic Oak Hill in Bryant Pond overlooking South Pond, Lake Christopher and Mt. Abram. The service was performed by Michelle Varulo of Bethel.

The bride was given in marriage by her mother and father. She wore a strapless ivory chiffon gown with corset back and an asymmetrical gathered wrap bodice with a side opening skirt revealing delicate metallic embroidery, beads, and sequins accenting on the satin underskirt. She carried a bouquet of Leonardis roses. Her attendants wore chocolate colored knee-length dresses with an empire waist, satin spliced swirl front and asymmetrical hem. They carried bouquets of Gerber daisies.

The groom and his attendants wore Mexican inspired black guayabarra shirts and linen pants. The bride was attended by her sister, Monica Ludden, matron of honor, and friend, Chelsey Bartlett, bridesmaid. The groom was attended by his friend and best man, Keith Ryerson and his brother, Wes Phelps. Boston Ludden, nephew of the happy couple, was the ring bearer.

A reception was held the following evening at the Jackson-Silver Post in Greenwood with many friends and family in attendance. The bride is the daughter of Philippe E. Rolfe and Jane and Craig Ryerson of Bethel and the granddaughter of Richard and Ramona Grover and the late Robert Lowe and Harold and Monique Rolfe.

The groom is the son of Danny Phelps and Peggy Anderson and the grandson of Harold and Peggy Verrill and the late Leroy "Butch" Phelps and Sally Lizotte.

The groom is employed by the Town of Greenwood and the bride is employed with Kennett Realty, Inc. They recently purchased and reside at their home in Bethel.

News and photos from clubs and organizations

The Citizen welcomes submissions of news items and photographs from local clubs and organizations.

The deadline for clubs and organizational items is noon Monday, but earlier submission is appreciated.

Submissions can be dropped off at The Citizen office (behind the Bethel Town Office) or mailed to P.O. Box 109, Bethel, ME, 04217. During non-business hours, items can be placed in the mailbox outside our office. For further information, call 824-2444. News and photos can also be submitted by e-mail: news@bethelcitizen.com.

Returns: Due to the volume of material passing through our office, we regret that we cannot be responsible for unsolicited submissions.

The Greenstock Snowsports SNOWMOBILE CLUB

Wish to thank everyone for supporting our Christmas tree sale!

We appreciate it!



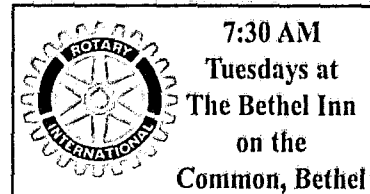
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All children grades K-5

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January 7 - February 18, 2006

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FOR MORE INFORMATION,

CALL JIM HANNIGAN AT 824-3220

Card of Thanks

My sincere "thanks" to all whose thoughts and prayers helped me to recover from my recent surgery, and a month recovery in the hospital and Norway Rehab. My thanks to sister Laura Hutchins for coming and taking over my duties and helping Russell

Peggy Blake

Bear River TRADING POST

Happy New Year!

THANK YOU!

Thank you to all our friends and patrons for your support throughout our first year. We couldn't do it without you!

CONGRATULATIONS!

Congratulations to Andy Barlow for winning this year's Big Buck Contest with a beautiful 212lb 12 pt buck!

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